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MOCK TURTLE SOUP FOR ARMY MESSES 7,500 ENLISTED MEN DAILY

Clam Chowder and Ox Tail Also Will Help Counteract Slum

Mock turtle soup and clam chowder are going to be used to sharpen the A.E.F.'s appetite for goldish, rice and other old friends of the mess table. And ox tail, to-mato and vegetable soups are also being placed bofore soldier epicures hardened by long familiarity with slum. Four ounces of canned soup a day for every mun is the latest change in rations. The Q.M.C. expects to receive 12,000,000 cans of assorted soups during February and 10,000,000 more cans in March. Sceptical corned-willer-minded however, point out that ingenious cooks and mess sergeants may be relied upon to disguise even canned soup, and that the canned soup of the ration will appear on the tables loaded with extra carrots and chunds of solate, and will be, after all, the

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WEDDING BELLS RING FOR 150 IN NGLAND

Thirteen British Brides of Yankee Soldiers Sail for U.S.

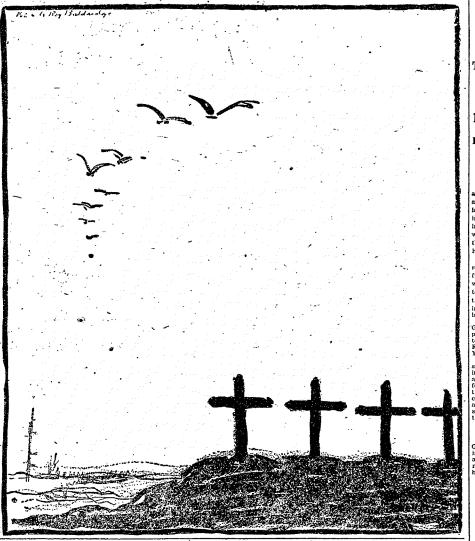
Approximately 150 officers and mon of the A.E.F. who have been stationed in England have succumbed for better for worse to the charms of English girls. The description of the later of the manner of the prices is about 23, and the average age of the Yankee grooms is around the same figure.

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The first 13 salled January 29 on the transport Plattsburg from Southampton, traveling first class. The bride pays a dollar a day for food, transportation to embarkation point and rillway fare in the United States to her new home. Uncle Sam pays for the boat trip. More brides will leave for America in two or three weeks, according to Lieut. H. E. Snell, in charge of transportation.

THE FOUNDERS OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS



PARIS PLANS TO **CARE FOR 12,000**

First Permissionnaires Under New G.O. Arrive in Capital

Blue Card Will Entitle Holder to Be on Streets After 9 P.M. While Well Behaved

With hotel accommodations booked in advance, with all the auxiliary organizations of the A.E.F. co-operating to assist in caring for and entertaining them, the first

ing for and entertaining them, the first permissionaires are arriving in Paris for the three-day leave granted in G.O. 14, G.H.Q., published last week.

For the immediate future Paris will entertain 7,590 American soldlers and 2,000 officers at a time, the enlisted men arriving and departing at a rate of 2,500 a day. New hotels are being opened, rooms are being rented in French hotels, and canteen and restaurant facilities enlarged, with the assurance that within a short time facilities. ssurance that within a short time facili

assurance that within a short time facili-ties will be adequate to handle 12,000 O.D. distincts at a time.

The committees in charge of the arrange-ments are trying to anticipate every pos-sible hitch that might rob the visitor of some of his three days of leisure, to make everything glide smoothly from the time he gets his blue card at the M.P. office at the railroad station until he leaves, 72 hours

As Long as Well Behaved

ave being organized by the Y.M.C.A.
The Y.M.C.A. is providing hotel accommodations, and the Red Cross both hotels and canteens.
The Red Cross alone can now provide beds for 5,684 enlisted men a week, and the Y.M.C.A. the same number each three days, with the prespect that within the acxt week or ten days both organizations will run over these figurea. Commodations in some cases sleeping are is the charge killed to recent three faunce a night in any auxiliary service hostelry.
There are seven canteens scattered through the heart of the city maintained by the American Red Cross, where breakfast and lunch may be had for 50 centimes and dinner for 75 centimes. The Red Cross also has an interest in two other large canteens in the city. At one of the American Red Cross canteens—that at the Gare St. Lazare—an average of 14.173 men are being fed a week.

Arrangements for Officers

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At the Grand Hotel du Louvre, L. M. Boomer, manager of the Waldorf-Astorie and the McAlpin, is in charge, and Mars Elizabeth Evans, the New York candy maker, stores the larder with cakes and mastries.

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Free shoe shines, free clothes pressing, and a regular Santa Claus stocking in each room. Including pajamas, razor, soap, toothbrush and tooth paste, are some other attractions. The club at 4 Avenuc Gabriel, which can accommodate about 100 officers a night, is run on much the same plan. It will be the aim of the committee in charge of the entertainment of officers to make a standard price in all the officers hotels under its control.

BANG THEM KEYS! SPILL THAT INK! LEMANS WAR CRY

YANKS AT A TIME Paper Workers in Sleepless Pur suit of Transport Mirage

> There is a tumultuous pounding of type-writers in the Le Mans embarkation area these days. Throughout the district where divisions are assembling preparatory to sailing home there is the rattle-bang of batteries of machines of all speeds and cal-ibers. Alphabetical box barrages are falling all over long, impressive looking documents. Never, in any army probably, or, at any time, has there been such a paper work session before. ession before.

Sleepy eyed sergeants-major, top ser geants, ordinary sergeants and company clerks at company, battallon, regimental cierks at company, buttainon, regiment brigade and divisional headquarters scores of towns in the Le Mans secti from early morning until late at night—a then some—are hammering at keyboar wearing out pen points, and using up numerable otters.



ommany occuments are sitting up nights getting their accountability and responsibility records into perfect shape. For kickers and company clerks are going yer thousands of service records, allotment papers and War Risk insurance documents. Supply officers and supply sergents are checking up and growing wan and haggard under the strain.

Just Like Battle Days

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"First up with the paper work, first to go home," is the shibboteth with which the zealous paper work racers cheer themselves and lagsing comrades.

"We're far in the lead," admits the Umpth Division adjustant. "Just like in the Argonne. Those people on our left..."

Our course, the doughboys throughout the entire area know about the race. Some of them have very vague notions as to what paper work is. They know it as a mind of them have very vague notions as to what paper work is. They know it as a company of the paper work is they are aware that there is unprecedented activity among the pen pushers, and the contagion of it all has been communicated to them. They are sitting in the bleachers, as it were, and cheering on the racers. They almost believe there is some excuse for a sergeant major, and they are willing to forget grudges against the top kicker if he breasts the tape with the company clerk with his paper work under his arm and all up to. snuff.

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When the report which inspired all this within the energy omanated doesn't seem to have been determined. However, from staff officers down to buck privates in the divisions in the Le Mans district, the report is being taken as founded on fact, and records are being established that should stand for a long time in Army tradition.

MARINES AFLOAT **ONCE MORE, MAN** FLEET ON RHINE

Fourteen Vessels That Pa trol Stream "Always on the Alert"

CONTRABAND WINE BARRED

Crushed Stone Must Be Crushed Stone if Germans Want to Avoid Difficulties

It was an innocent looking craft enough lowing in its stolid German fashio own the Rhine near Coblenz. There wa

Preussen Largest and Finest

the private vessel of the oberpresident of the Rhenish provinces, and she looks it, with her graceful lines and her claborately laid out and beautifully paneled saloon, cabins and dining room. Sie is now used by Maj. Gen. Joseph T. Dickman, commander of the Third Armin and by Lh. Colour on inspection trips. Be it said at this inneture in behalf of the Yanke yho had to serub her that she was in an incredibly filthy condition when taken over. Now she Continued on Page 2

MILLIONS IN SALVAGE

Approximately \$63,000,000 worth of business was done in 1918 by the Salvage in Branch of the Q.M.C., as shown by figures the output of depote and shops, laced at the output of depote and shops, laced at the output of depote and shops, laced at \$15,500,000, and recoveries under kitchen economies in eight menths at \$47,515.

do for all articles received for salvage 91 percent were put back into service, and most to fee remaining 9 per cent were used in eservice. The salvage percentage on shoes, for example, was almost 100 per cent.

Another example of Salvage Service saving was the utilization of overcoat cloth in smaking overseas caps. Early in the field the A.E.F. discovered that the issue overtune cat was too long, that is was apt to get under the heels and trip men going over the top. So eight inches was ordered cut from the bottom of the coats. This cloth deventually returned to the front as overseas caps.

FASTER RETURN OF A.E.F. ASSURED BY TRANSPORT PLANS

Taking Over of Enemy Ves sels Factor in Speed Up Program

10,124 EMBARK IN ONE DAY

Infantrymen Lead in Total of Week's Departures—Casuals Keep Close to Top

return of the A.E.F. to the State atty increased rate over the presen-speed of 100,000-odd men a month a certainty by recent development

o the present, carrying capacity of the ransport service. It consists of boats now

Vessel.			
Great Northern		.,	2,750
Northern Pacific			2,192
Agamemnon	•••••		9 100
Atgerina			4.088
Mount Vernon .		*********	3,737
George Washingto	n		5.164
President Grant			4,894
Susquehanna			2.016

week also saw the largest tota

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EVERYONE TO WRITE-G.O. PRESCRIBES IT

Postcards Will Announce Station, Outfit, Physical Condition

178 BULLETS FOR **EVERY A.E.F. SHELL**

Ordnance Department Also Provided 74,000,000 .45 Cartridges

It took 623,541,085 rifle and machine gun bullets and more than 3,500,500 shells, in-landing shrapnel, high explosive and gas, to help the A.E.F. end hostillities, accord-ing to figures of the Ordnance Department. It also took 74,000,000 .45 caliber cartridges

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to the United States, it is understood that
most units roturning will be followed by the
guns they used in France. To the Ordnance Depot at Mehun-sur-Yeure are coming as many as 130 cars of artillery equipment a day. Five machine shops and two
warchouses are being used to repair and
store equipment, preparatory to shipment
to the States.

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PLAN FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS IS SET BEFORE WORLD BY CONFERENCE

PRESIDENT TO RETURN WITH TROOPS

President Wilson will sall for America on the George Washington at a date not yet announced. His ship is a transport and will make the return trip as such, carrying back between 130 and 4,000.

There has already been a great rush to get aboard the George Washington for this voyage—dozens of requests having been made by members of the auxiliary services, government workers, war correspondents and others. Every one of these requests has been turned down, and the President himself is personally checking the list of his own party, in order to satisfy himself that not a single unnecessary person shall take up she by a coller bound for the Statue of Liberty.

TRIO OF OFFICER STOWAWAYS HELD AFTER TRIP BACK

Captain and Two Lieuten ants Had Already Reached U.S.

FACE COURT-MARTIAL

Three Enlisted Men Also Fail in Attempt at "See America Soon" Game

without proper authority, a captain an two licutenants have been returned t Brest, whence they embarked for Am only a short tme ago, to stand trial by

The transport on which they embarke ast month had been at sea but 24 hour when the officers were hauled before

To America and Back

Every Man Checked Off

SEVERE PENALTIES FOR AWOL OFFICERS

Dismissal and Hard Labor Urged for Offenders in New G.O.

AWOL officers are to be severely dealt with, according to G.O. 15, G.H.Q., and offenders are warned that if they are guilty of prolonged absence from duty, "nothing short of dismissal" will be appropriate punishment, and courts "should not hesitate to impose confinement at hard labor in addition thereto."

Following the warning issued last week

Allied Leaders Announce Realization of Idea Born of War

PRESENTED BY PRESIDENT

Delegates Take Up Question of German Colonies-China at Conference Table

it was only a scrap of paper, hardly big-ger than a letter from home, that the dele-gates to the Peace Conference sent out to the world last Saturday, but it carried the as read since the Kaiser's mad Uhlans

has read since the Kaiser's mad Uhlans trumpled another scrap of paper into the soil of neutral Relgium. It was the message to the world that the foundation of the League of Nations had been laid.
"To ensure the fulfillment of accepted international obligations, and to provide safeguard against war," the League is built upon the firm and united resolve of everynation that played its part in conquering the government whose word was not better than the bond it tore to pleces.
It will be a great clearing house of international opinion, where each nation, great and small, can bring its problems.

great and small, can bring its problems, make its plea and be assured an answor that is not an ultimatum nor an award to be won on a battle field.

Saulty in Settling Disputes

Must Be Vital, Not Formal

"Therefore, it seems to me that we mus neert our best judgment in order to ske this League of Nations a vital thing

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www. and not dare compromise upon any matter as the champion of this thing—this peace of the world, this attitude of justice, this principle that we are the masters of no people but are here to see that every people in the world shall chose its own masters and govern its own destinies, not as we wish but as it wishes. We are here to see, in short, that the very foundations of this war are swept away.

"Those foundations were the private choice of small coteries of civil rulers and military staffs. Those foundations were the aggression of great powers upon small. Those foundations were the aggression of great powers upon small. Those foundations were the dures of arms. Those foundations were the folding to-gether of emplies of unwilling subjects by the dures of arms. Those foundations were the folding to-gether of emplies of the dures of arms. Those foundations were the foundations when the dures of arms. Those foundations were the folding to-gether of emplies of the those will accomplish peace things will accomplish peace.

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"I hope, Mr. Chgirman, that when it is known, as I feel confident it will be known, that we have adopted the principle of the League of Nations and mean to work out that principle in effective action, we shall by that single in thing have lifted a great part of the load of anxiety. If the action, we shall by that single of action, we stail for a preculer case, As I go account of the principle of the pri

Brief and Simple Draft

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The wording of the announcement of the work whose weight in worth must measure up to the mighty score of sacrifice, bloodshed and suffering that this war has piled up against humanity's credit was as brief as it was simple. Typewritten under the heading, "Draft of Resolutions for a League of Nations," it was followed by a short text:

The Conference," it read, "having considered the proposals for the creation of a League of Nations, resolved that:

(a) It is essential to the maintenance of the world settlement, which the Associated Nations are now met to establish, that a League of Nations be created to promote international cooperation to ensure the fulfillment of accepted international obligations, and to provide safeguards against war.

Permanent Secretariat Established

Perhaps the most important fact, according to the diplomatists who have studied the announcement, is the establishment of the permanent secretariat, which will always be in session, like a foreign office. Here one disgruntled nation can present its claim or complaint against another and hear it read by all the world, while the accused will be forced to answer, either affirmatively, negatively or with some amendatory counter-statement.

If agreement cannot be reached alone,

secret or sudden encroachment of rights, no impossible demands, no affront to national pride—in other words, no excuse for war and no opportunity for it.

How far the League will go in adjusting those problems, such as, for instance, military service, labor, contactous disease and other questions that have hitherto been matters for domestic settlement, it cannot be stated, but it is believed that at least some will be threshed out with the purpose of a wider justice and a broader benefit, reflecting the wishes of people and not of government alone.

German Colonies Discussed

the delegates have completed their

SICKNESS IN FAMILY DISCHARGE GROUND

A.E.F. Men May Ask Furloughs Also to Relieve Distress at Home

Any soldier of the A.E.F. who entered the service after April 2, 1917, may submit an application for his return to the United States and immediate discharge there, in case there is sickness or other distress in his immediate family that would be re-lieved by his return. This is the substance of a section of G.O. 13, G.H.Q., which also provides that furloughs to the States may be granted men who enlisted prior to April 1, 1917, under conditions similar to the ones stated above.

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Applications under the above stipulations are to be forwarded to the Commanding General, S.O.S., by S.O.S. troops, and to G.H.Q. by those not under jurisdiction of the C.G. S.O.S.

the C.C., S.O.S.

The same general order provides that a soldier now may also apply to G.H.Q. for discharge in Europe, submitting in a statement this information: Whether or not he entered the service in Europe; present home; whether he intends to make his home in Europe, and, if so, where: any other facts that would warrant discharge in Europe; proof that the applicant, if discharged, would not in the ficture become a nurden on the American er another government; a statement that the applicant, the discharge is granted, walves any laim upon the United States. if the discharge is granted, waives an claim upon the United States for sea travback to the States.

MANY EX-FARMERS ON TUBERCULOSIS ROLL

Were Men Who Had Had No Contact With Childhood Diseases

Twenty per cent of the soldiers of the who have been returned to the

A.E.F. who have been returned to the United States suffering from positive tuberculosis had been farmers.

Medical belief that a great majority of all persons, possibly 75 to 90 per cent, have tubercular lesions, indicating they had suf-

tubercular lesions, indicating they had suffered from inciplent tuberculosis which their bodily resistance had overcome, has been surprised by findings of autopsies on bodies of thousands of soldiers dying of various causes, wounds as well as disease. Only about 25 per cent of the bodies examined showed signs of tuberculosis.

Two thousand soldiers were returned to the United States as tubercular. Early last year it was reported that 50 per cent of the soldiers returned to the States as suffering from tuberculosis failed to show positive evidence of that disease later.

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(b) This League should be treated as an integral part of the general treaty of peace, and should be open to every civilized nation which can be relied on to promote its objects.

(c) The members of the League should periodically meet in international conference, and should have a permanent organization and secretariat to carry on the business of the League in the intervals between the Conferences.

"The Conference therefore appoints a ommittee representative of the Associated lovernments to work out the details of the onstitution and functions of the League."

Permanent Secretariat Establishad

Air Service	Officers.	Boldlers. 752
Artillery	120	3.174
Casuals	1.010	10.134
Headquarters	35	220
Infantry		10.311
Machine Gun	13	484
Medical	5	63
Motor Transportation Corps	1	7
Ordnance	7	229
Total	1.471	25,394
Previously reported	12.731	180,163
Grand totals	14,202	208,163
The list of recent sailing		

33 TRAINING CAMPS NOW DEMOBILIZATION CENTERS

Thirty-three former training camps and cantonments in the States have been lesignated as demobilization centers for returning A.E.F. troops, according to information received from Washington and announced this week at Hq., S.O.S. Returning divisions, and other units, will be assigned to one of these camps for the final 'dismissed.'

O.R.C. COMMISSIONS FOR A.E.F. ASPIRANTS

Candidates Will Continue in Service as Enlisted Men. However

Sam Browne, so mournfully laid away by the many candidates in A.E.F. training schools, will ever be brought to life in this war, G.H.Q. has issued, in the form of circular, a hopeful promise to these aspir ants to shoulder bars as well as to soldiers who have "demonstrated fitness or gallantm in action" that they are assured of a Re-serve Corps commission.

Enlisted men, the letter states, will con-

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tinue in the service as such and hold their Reserve commissions.

There is no minimum age limit, but a maximum of 32 years is named for second lieutenants, 35 for first lieutenants, 40 for captains, and 46 for majors in all branches except the Judge Advocate General's Department, Quartermaster Corps, Medical Corps, Dental Corps, Veterinary Corps, Engineers, Ordanace, Air Service and Signal Corps, where no limit is stated. None but citizens of the United States are eligible.

Rigid Physical Examination

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Explaining the unusual proportion of farmers developing tuberculosis in France, the bulletin says that these were the men in the cantomments and camps who gave evidence that they had not come in contact with measies and other childhood diseases.

NO MORE FULL SETS

Numerous requests for complete sets of back numbers of THE STARS AND STRIPES have been received in this office. THE STARS AND STRIPES is unable to fill any more such orders, the supply of back issues having been practically exhausted. Only a few copies of scattered dates are available. As previously announced, members of the A.E.F. are advised that no further subscriptions to THE STARS AND STRIPES will be solicited or accepted. The sale of this paper now is on a cash basis only and the sales are handled by duly authorized agents. It has been brought to the attention of this paper that persons in the uniform of the A.E.F., who are not authorized to represent THE STARS AND STRIPES, recently have obtained money under various false pre-tenses, in some cases posing as agents empowered to solicit and collect for subscriptions.

THE STARS AND STRIPES has field agents who look after its circulation and attend to other business connected with its publication in the various areas occupied by the A.E.F. and who are possessed of proper credentials.

SHARP SEA EYES NOT FOR U-BOATS

Transport Cootie Drill Is No Stag Affair, Either

Cooties who had been living in the lap of luxury during the A.E.F.'s fighting more lately to emigrate to the United States by slipping through the bathing and delousing shock troops which the Army has set upon them from the Rhine to the embarkation ports, aren't going to have any chance.

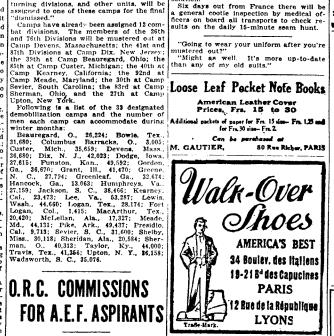
The cootie drill is going to be as much a part of the returning Army's shipboard routine as the life-boat drill. Every

sang plank is hauled in Medical officers will make a personal inspection of every man. Nits will be hunted up and down the body—the hair, being the favorite hiding place, will be searched particularly. Soldiers with headlice will have their hair cropped with a clipper and then bathed in anti-cootle soup.

Men civilian passengers on transports will have to observe the same rules as soldiers and will be liable to the hair cutting and all. Women passengers will have to examine their own clothing, and they could be supported by the same rules as all will have to examine their own clothing, and they could be supported by the same rules as all will have to examine their own clothing, and they could be supported by the same rules as all we will have to examine their own clothing, and they



Six days out from France there will be





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Broadway at 41st St. NEW YORK CITY

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which the Germans are exceedingly out The Preussen carries a criew of six Germans and 29 American enlisted men and officers, and she packs six machines gun plus two 37m, guns in svent of any excitement along the bank somewhere. Next in size is the Moesi, the supply boat for the patrol stations along the river She also packs a few machine guns, and like the Preussen, can carry a sufficient atrong body of men to cope with any disturbances ashore. She can be utilized, too carry provisions to the troops stationed along the river, and was nearly pressed into this service recently when the rising waters almost cut Cochem off from railread communications.

Controls River Traffic

Next comes the Mains, called the regu-lating boat, carrying the official represent-atives of the Inland Interallied Waterways Commission, which controls the traffic on the river, and without whose say no boat not even a rowboat, can be bought, begged or borrowed—and Odin help the bird that rices to steal one. And lastly comes 11 snorting little patro-losats, two operated by steam and the rest

tries to steal one.

And lastly comes 11 snorting little patrol boats, two operated by steam and the rest by gasoline, whose duties are to stick their noses into everybody's business along the river and see that no one is trying to get away with anything at the expense of the Yanks; and a houseboat, so-called, which is really a floating guardhouse for such luckless individuals as run counter to the rules and regulations of the United States Marine Corps.

The limits of the American patrol are from Horchhelm, a short distance up the river from Coblenz, where the French patrols are met, to a little place called Rolandseck, where the British are met, this meeting point including half the neutral zone between these two Armles of Occupation.

supation.

To facilitate the task of patrolling, the over has been divided into zones, each of which is under the supervision of a patroloat, whose duties have been enumerated there are two patrol boat stations, one a sendorf and one at Andernach.

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war, these are promptly confiscated, and the ship and crew placed under guard until proper disposition has been made of their cases. A regulating station downstream examines the papers of everything coming up, so that nothing is missed, especially with the nosy little patrol boats cruising about. Capt. Robert H. Shiel. U.S.M.C., is in charge of the Marines who control the vessels.

And that is all, except that all the Yank fighting men in the Third Army have to laugh when they think that since December 21, 1918, the A.E.F. took the Germans' tavorite river from them and won't leg them play with it except on their say-so, and that between the hour after sunset and the hour before sunrise no boat of any kind, shape or fancy can be out on the

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It takes 12 cigars and more than two pounds of candy a month to keep a man going in the A.E.F. in these post-bellum days when the Army is sitting back in its easy chair reflecting on a good job well done. At least the A.E.F. bought 44,000,000 cigars (many of them real Havanas) from the Q.M.C. during November and December—this figure including sales to organizations which resell Q.M.C. cigars to the A.E.F. at cost.

The Army also used a billion cigarettes in December, which is about the monthly average.

Three million pounds of candy were issued in Jonuary to soldiers as part of the ration, and in the same month the A.E.F. bought an additional 4,500,000 pounds of candy from commissary stores.

Estimates just prepared by the Q.M.C. for feeding the Army in France between January and July, 1919, call for 31,761,125 pounds of bacon, 15,186,000 pounds of corned beef, 4,745,255 pounds of cheese, 3,768,500 pounds of spakhetti, and 14,000,000 pounds of Jam, in addition to some other things.

To increase variety, 3,500,000 pounds of

To increase variety, 3,500,000 pounds of raisins have just been bought in Spain, and the same country is to deliver 2,000,000 pounds each of dates and figs.

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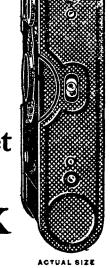
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DOCTORS BAN HOME AIRS

Hospital Patients Get Racing Pulses, High Fevers Listening to Lyrics About Mother

The first entries are beginning to reac this office in the contest for the two best and most singable lyrics to be written by members of the A.E.F.—a competition stigated to relieve the painful dearth momers of the A.E.F.—a competition instigated to relieve the painful dearth of new songs in the camp theaters. The first prize of 500 franes and the second prize of 250 franes are offered by the Y.M.C.A. All manuscripts should be addressed to the Lyric Contest Editor. THE STARS AND STRIPES, Paris, American E.F., and none will be considered that arrives after February 15.

Speaking of lyrics, all barnstorming units are being politely requested not to sing any more songs about home and mother than "they can possibly help. Any performer caught singing such ditties in the hospitals will be shot. The dectors report that they send temperatures sky-high and that their deleterious effects cannot be offset by any chemical known to the Materia Medica.

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when deleterious effects cannot be offset by any chemical known to the Materia Medica.

It was in a hospital at Tours that the American stock company, which has enlisted such old stand-bys as Mary Boland. Minnic Duprec and Sydney Shields, gave recently the most successful performance of their season in France. The play was that wild molodrama, "Kick In," and it was played at one end of the theory of the control of the cont

The Navy has enjoyed so many shows given by the soldiers at the base ports that it is moved to reciprocite, and at least two saftor shows have started over the shore circuits. There were great pregnantions for proper costumes, when some one with a bit of sense realized that there was no costume that could make quite such a hit with the soldiers as the blue uniform of the Navy Radf. One Navy mill—The Black Blancond Gobs'—is playing along the Rhing

One of the most successful acts which ever weathered the riotous series of amateur nights at the Frauklin Theater in Bordcaux is the "Mess Line Breakers"—a combination of close harmony, soft-shoe and hokum prepared by nine negroes from a nearby labor battallon. The star of the piece is the pianist, who unloads recight cers by day and ragtine by night. His exactly four feet and his name—his real name—is Booze.

The S.O.S. has decided that all enter-tainments developed in its area must first play that area theroighly before moving up into the armies. It has also decided that all section entertainment officers must, at once, cause to be transferred to the First Replacement Depot, St. Aigman, all entertainers who, in their judgment, should be used as A.E.F. entertainers. This embraces not only individuals, but the entire personnel of such good attrac-tions as they have in their sections.

The "show a night" slegan has been taken so seriously in the Gondrecourt area that rey plar huts can hardly handle the epidemic of amateur dramatics, so stages have been issued to airplane hangurs, barracks and even barns.

The Sixth Marines have sent in a compact dramatic criticism of the show recently offered them at Honningen-amblein by the mummers of the 3th Infantry and the 17th Field Artillery. This troop can now carry on their three-sheets this line: "It was a riot—Sixth Marines."

The grande finale of the show put on y the 35th Division always brings down to hut. The scene shows a bout tied to a control of the control of the control of the control of the deep control of the year, a gaing half, singing with deep control as they go, a song called "Homeward bound."

The singers and the hoofers of the Third Army have nothing on the 332nd Infantry when it comes 'to performing in-occupied territory. Chaplain Fred O. Kelley has recruited a bunch of Honey Boys from among the Yanks in Italy and they are booked for Fiume and Trieste.

The Argonne Players, who have made a regulation for themselves by getting by required the property of the prop success, for it showed how well the author had studied all the wars up to 1800, and it also showed what they don't know in America. The Argonne Players are to be congratulated on having brought this bit of Bloadway realism right up to the front

"The Liberty Bells" is the name of a musical comedy produced by the 33'35 Division which will arrive at the Theatro Albert Premier in Paris on February 17 to play to the troops on leave there. Although a product of the current season, it has already broken the record for long distance touring, for it has played in three different countries in as many months—France, Belgium and Luxembourg.

It was the first American show ever street and another than the street of the street

THIS IS LUCY-



-and This Is Her Letter:

Quartermaster Corps, 25th Division. American E.F. Dear Parrains: I am little Lucy whom you want to take under your protection. I thank you very much for your kindness to me who am only a little war orphan. Those wicked Boches killed my dear father near Yordin on September 24, 1217. This is a good that the control of the Quartermaster Corps, 26th Division merican E.F.

RECORDED IN G. O.

Fourteen of 21 Citations for Deeds Not Performed Under Fire

G.O. 4, H.Q., S.O.S., just published, is in evidence to prove that a battle line and a battle are not always necessary to bring forth the bold. It enumerates 21 men, all of whom, save 14, were on duty behind the combat area, who have been mentioned in orders as having distinguished them selves by meritorious conduct in the fac-

Capt. J. C. Kennedy of the transport tion service assisted in quelling a riot of Chinese laborers at Brest, February 26,

Capt. Wilford A. Fair, M.C. (decensed) next of kin, Mrs. W. A. Fair, wife, Pleas

cape. Various A. Fair, M.C. (decensed), next of kin, Mrs. W. A. Fair, wife, Pleasant Hill, Mo., attempted to rescue a beother officer when surprised by a machine gun, and lost his own life in the attempt.

First Lieut. Harold J. Forsay, Air Service, Second A.I.C., Tours, rescued the pilot of a burning airplane at the risk of his own life when the machine fell near Sodge-ford, England, April. 16, 1918.

Sgt. 1st Cl. Thomas Martin, Co. C, 1stl Engineers, threw himself against a pile of rails that were slipping and threatening to fall and crush his fellow workers.

Sgt. Thomas A. Henderson, Pvt. 1st Cl. Eugence F. Huffeld, Pvt. Robert Nesbitt and Pvt. 1st Cl. John P. Campbell, Q.M.C., Provisional Laundry Unit A. risked their lives in a burning railway yards at Nancy helping to save 80 cars of government freight under falling bombs during an air raild.

Saved Child from Drowning

He was killed after accompilating his anission, which was carried out under heavy
fire.

Pvt. Theodore Feller, Company K. 28th
Infantry, gave 500 cc. of his blood to a
comrade in the Marines to save his life,
although, suffering himself from a severe
shell wound.

Pvt. Francis J. Murphy, Supply Company 302, Q.M.C., carried a wounded comrade 800 yards to a place of safety during
namy 502, Q.M.C., carried a wounded comrade 800 yards to a place of safety during
nearly 502, Sgt. John O. Peterson, 59th Aero Sauadron, Supply, risked his life at the American Avlation Acceptance Park No. 1. in
stopping a Liberty plane which lad overshot the field and was about to crush into
a number of Spads.

Sgt. Charles E. Richardson, Motor Truck
Company 398, stopped a runaway horse
which was deathing toward a crowd of
thrown against a stone wall, he stopped
the horse and saved two children from
being trampled to death?

Developed Gas Antidote

Sgt. Louis Weisberg, Chemical Warfard Service, developed a satisfactory antidox for mustard gas after continuous hazardons laboratory experiments. Cpl. Clyde C. Armstend, Battery F, 349th Field Artillery, risked his life to save a comrade who could not swim and who had

allen into the Gartemps river.

Cpl. Walter F. Lambert and Pvt. Charles

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Pyt. 1st Cl. Alvin Burkhardt, Detachment Q.M., saved the life of a comrade who had fallen into the Loire.
Pyt. 1st Cl. Clarence E. Bridy, 59th Engineers, ran 50 yards after a moving train of French permissionnaires and lifted into the train a French soldier who had tried to board the train and who was losing his lodd. hold.

Pvt. Albert McClain, Company B, 50°tl Engineers, threw a switch and stopped six runaway ammunition cars, saving muclioss of life and property.

HOSPITAL ATTENDANTS

GIVEN HONOR MEDALS Medals of honor of the French Republic were presented to nine officers. 26 mirses and 37 enlisted men of the A.E.F., at Base Hospital No. 57, last Friday, for "extraordinary devotion to duty" and "as" a souveal of their honorable and courage of their honorable and courage with the state of the courage of the service de Sante, made the presentation.

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companies and the 'Echo,' to buy one more orphap.

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When the S.S. Manchurla drew up her auchors and felt her way out of the harbor at St. Nazaire a few days ago carrying a detachment of the 156th Ambulance Company as a part of her human cargo, Mademoiselle Marcelle Yvonne Polifet, one hand firmly clasped in the folds of her most of the state of the folds of her not be supported by the folds of her not be supported by the folds of her waste, the same supported by the folds of her waste, the support of the Manchuria's decks. "Au revoir" she called, then her eyes swam in tears and she hid her face in the folds of her mother's dress. Her thry shoulders rose and fell like the waves that lapped the pier, and her tears flowed free, for Marcella, despite her "nu revoir," knew that she was saying goodbye for the last part of the first true love—her American parrains. "That morning Marcelle and Madame



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will be determined by the fund.

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French laws probibit adoptors from taking their proteges to the United States under any circumstances.

I stances.

Pollitch had journeyed from Savenay to St. Nazaire to bid goodbye to the detachment of the 156th Ambulance Company which adopted Marcelle as its orphan last September. Word had come only the day before that, the boys were to sail the following day, whereupon Madame Poillet bundled up Marcelle, who is ofly eight, and, with a heavy shawl around her own shoulded up Marcelle, who is ofly eight, and, with a heavy shawl around her own shoulded up Marcelle, who is ofly eight, and through a bird class or Marcelle herself was somewhat over-jurdened with the many gifts tendered her by the boys just before the boat pulled not. She gathered them up fondly, more ondly than the two crisp 100 franc notes hat had just been given her, and threw a kiss to those who watched from, the Manthurla's deciss.

The ship pulled out of the harbor and streetles pararlaised from the form and streetles pararlaised from the first was content to return with her methers was content to return with her methers are compartment, to Savenay and home.

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while cleaning clothes, fell into the Yevre
river at Bourges.
A.E.F. hospitals and convalescent camps
on January 20 were caring for 79,221 patients, with spare beds for 41,530 more
soldiers, in spite of the fact that many
hospitals were closed soon after hostilities
ended, according to announcement by the
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Plan Campaign in France

Agencies for recruiting men for the mer-hant marine have been opened in the dutes in 30 demobilization camps, and the ampaign is to be carried to France by the di of circulars, which will be distributed brough the A.B.F's auxiliary organiza-ions. Men with a common school educa-ion are sought. The best may become fleers.

officers.

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soil, no threat of far-flung frontiers, no promise of booty in new provinces or spoil from the strong-boxes of defeated kings. The men that jammed the transport's holds, that crowded the box cars, that marched up against machine gun and strapnel were told that they were making the world—not America, nor East Orange, nor California, but the world—safe for democracy in a war

to win a cause.

And now we know that it is true, that the high words written on our banners have been copied into the book of the world's conscience—"international co-operation to ensure the fulfillment of accepted obliga-_consciencetions," to end forever the hazarding of Right to the blind fortunes of the legions of Might. The men who fought and fell and the women who sacrificed—the Founders of the League of Nations-have won.

· POST MORTEM

In an interview which Marshal Foch gave to the war correspondents in Trier the other day, someone asked if the armistice had not been concluded too soon.

had not been concluded too soon.

"It was not possible to do otherwise," he replied, "because the Germans gave us at once everything we asked for. The German High Command was not ignorant of the fact that it faced a colossal disaster. When it surrendered, everything was ready for an offensive in which it would infallibly have succumbed. On the 14th we were to stack in Lorraine with 20 French divi-

have succumbed. On the 14th we were to attack in Lorraine with 20 French divisions and six American divisions."

This brief utterance by the Allied Generalissimo answers effectively those who, at home and abroad, rent the air with their demands for "unconditional surrender."

They were shouting for a phrase when they already had the fact. The Germans did surrender unconditionally.

It answers, too, the possible suspicion lurking in some minds that the Germans were bluffed into that surrender, that the assaulting forces assembled in Lorraine for

were bluffed into that surrender, that the assaulting forces assembled in Lorraine for the battle that was never fought were like an uncalled hand. But the fighting that ended the war last November was not that kind of poker. The time for bluffing had passed. The cards were on the table. It was stud. Each side already had three cards showing. Ours were all aces. Theirs was stud. Their students a heady and water cards showing. Ours were all aces. Theirs were two weak hearts and a black king—a very black king. To have played out the hand would have been an idle gosture, a waste of time. The hand was won. The

WHY, JOSEPH!

Members of the A.E.F.—particularly residents of Bordeaux and vicinity—may be able to extract some entertainment from the following paragraphs, clipped from a recent issue of "The Humboldt (Calif.) Beacon":

Beacon?:

Friends in Rohnerville have received word from Joe Williams, son of Mrs. Luella Williams, to the effect that, although now recovered, he had been injured in the right arm and had thus for several months been unable to write home: in fact, since September 4. He did not tell how the injury was caused, for, as he said, it would just be consored, so he'd save it until he got home. The letter was written October 25.

Although it suffern France, near Bordeaux, Joe has had would got to bed, with evorything nice and guider, and pretty soon there would be a whiz and a bang, the sky would light up, a shell would group and tear a hole in the ground big enough to bury the whole town of Rohnerville. All one

to bury the whole town of Rohnerville. All one could do was to lie flat and pray God for protection, because one needed lots of that over here. As soon as permitted he expects to send to his home town a German helmet and full set of buttons which he has in his possession.

Joe's address is 11th Company, 20th Engineers, American E.F., P.O. 75.

AFTER THE SHOW IS OVER

It is so easy to put on a show. Now, when amateur dramatics are break ing out like a rash all over the A.E.F., you ing out like a rash all over the A.E.F., you can see for yourself how easy it is. Everybody wants to help. Of course, when you are assigned to theatricals, K.P. means nothing in your life. But it is something more than that. Everybody really wants to help. Rooms are quickly cleared for rehearsals, props are lent gladly. Anyone is willing to sit up till reveille working on the costumes. Twice as many people as are needed volunteer to decorate the theater, and when the time comes to carry the seats and when the time comes to carry the seats over to the hut a thousand friendly hands offered. Everyone is interested and things go with a rip and a roar up to that mighty moment when the house lights wink out, the footlights blaze up, the rumpus of

The Stars and Stripes late arrivals subsides in the darkness to a final scuffle, and slowly the curtain rises.

final scuffle, and slowly the curtain rises. It is so easy to put on a show.

But to take one off! There's all the difference in the world. The audience has melted away and there are only overturned chairs to show where once an orchestra played so gaily. When some one fries to rally a detail to carry back the seats there are no volunteers, and, as no one enjoys undecorating a hall, the boughs and banners hang for days, dejected remnants of a festivity that was.

There are, however, some who stand by

a festivity that was.

There are, however, some who stand by and work harder than ever. There are some made of the stuff that always sees things

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CRYSTALIZING

The plan of a League of Nations, laid this week at the door of the world, is the greatest gift that has been offered to humanity since Cain spilled the first blood outside the fields of Eden.

They were high words which were written on the banners of America's citizen army that sent the khaki legion into battle. No boastful talk of planning a flag on foreign promise of booty in new provinces or spoil Look at yourself.

It is not easy to take off a show.

THE YEARLING

The men that jammed the transport's holds, that crowded the box cars, that marched up against machine gun and strappel were told that they were making 'fine world—not America, nor East Orange, nor California, but the world—safe for democracy in a wragainst war.

Through the dirt and sweat of the endless hikes, the mud, the shell-fire, there was not much talk of policies. It was just, "We're here because we're here."

Then one day in the morning it was over. Then one day in the morning it was over top to go over—just waiting. And some of us sat in the billets and began to think. We saw the gaps in the ranks, the battalion that could assemble only a handful, the section that left the echelon full and camback half-a-dozen strong. And some of us began to wonder ifs and whys.

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No more big ones, no more gas, no more top to go over—just waiting. And some of us sat in the billets and began to think. We saw the gaps in the ranks, the battalion that could assemble only a handful, the section that left the echelon full and came began to wonder ifs and whys.

"I see everywhere men in the American uniform," said President Wilson last Saturday. "Those men came into this war after we had uttered our purposes. They came as crusaders, not merely to win a war, but to win a cause."

And your me have that it is the state of things which we ought to have done. For instance, with the combat divisions running away with all the news, we never had time, until this issue, to get up a women's page, without at least one of which no newspaper really deserves the name. Incidentally, this report, which will be published next week in celebrated question as to who has been getting out the darned paper, anyway—a squad of lieutenant-colonels, or Y.M.C.A. secretaries, or cooks, or who?

THE YEAR OF HOPE

Last week came the first anniversary o that mild January day when, for the first time, the Americans took over a sector of their own in the anxious Allied line. As those young, untried regiments jogged along the battered highway northwest of Toul, who would have thought that, just one year later, the same regiments would be at ease beyond the Rhine? Who would

be at ease beyond the Rhine? Who would have thought it?
But, then, who, this time in 1914, would have thought that, before five years had passed, America would have sent to the battlefields of Europe an army of two million men, the greatest expeditionary force that ever sailed the seas? And who would have dreamed then, who would have dared to dream, that the month of January, 1919, would see in solemn session at Paris that Congress of which the visionary Tennyson sang one short generation ago—the parlia-

ongress of what the visionary frameworks and one short generation ago—the parliament of man, the federation of the world? Who, that has seen these things come to pass, dures say now that anything is impossible? What man of little faith dares or cares now to belong to that company of men who, with a shrug, say of each new thing, "It can't be done," until someone else has done it?

In this year of hope we have lived to see the League of Nations proposed before the Parliament of Man. Who would have thought it?

THE FINAL CASUALTY

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It had to come sometime. It might as well be now, and the Army will be glad to know that it has come so quietly, so inconspicuously, so painlessly. It is not yet generally known, perhaps, but this mouth one (count it, one) American magazine appeared without a soldier on the front cover. What army did they belong to, anyway, those paper soldiers that for nearly two years have been squads righting all over the newsstands back home? They hardly ever dressed regulation, what with officer's insignia on people who were obviously no better than corporals, misplaced pockets, better than corporals, misplaced pockets, sport shirt effects, impossible packs and whiskey flask canteens. It was a great get-up, but it was not issue stuff.

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One has gone; presumably the rest will follow in short order. And along about the time we get back all of them will have given place to that hardier-than-ever perennial, the lady of the Court the Lady of the Cover.

KEEPING AT IT

There isn't a soldier who won't kick when the mail orderly passes him up after a big consignment of first-class mail arrives from the States. But how many soldiers ever think how the folks at home feel when every other family in town gets a letter from France or Germany and the postman passes them up?

It's just as hard on the folks It's just as hard on the folks, this waiting business, as it is on the A.E.F. In a way it's harder, because they have had to carry through with the same old grind. And the one infallible brightener, the one sure hope-and-joy-restorer, the only gloom-killer worth the name back home, is the soldier's letter.

Practically all the A.E.F. has more time than ever now in which to write, more things to write about, more latitude in writing. The Army can no longer cuss the censor and the postal service the way it used to. Passing the buck of laziness and negligence will no longer do.

NOT INSPIRING, BUT-

There may not be much inspiration in the scenario of a monthly payroll, or much incentive in a 9th Ind. to a Service Record,

incentive in a 9th Ind. to a Service Record, but the message conveyed by the following news item ought to be a potent nest egg of thought for the paper work man:

After a half century, Thomas J. Rose, a Civil War veteran, of Pottsville, Pa., has been granted a pension, which was denied him all these years because of a clerical error in Washinston. His back pension will amount to thousands of dollars.

The Army's Poets

TO A CANTINIERE

troop train in November,
A night of sleepless chill,
asw breezes, broken windows,
And heat entirely fill;
tut with the misty dawning
A station came in view,
and, oh, that bowl of coffee
I got at Gièvres from you!

You, weren't so mighty pretty, You Lady Gunga Dhin, But there you stood a-emiling As we came trooping in; And to see the vapors rising And smell the savory brew Of good old Yankee coffee Made an angel out of you.

I've done a little tippling in a mild and Gallic way— I've said in liquid accents: "La même chose, s'il vous plait"; But nothing in a bottle Of any sort or hue Could match that bowl of coffee I got at Glèvres from you.

Let others sing the vintage Of lush and ripened grapes, From which imprisoned laughter Of peagant girls escapes, Am diggond that the state of the st And fiagons of ambrosia—
I'd give them freely, too,
For that bowl of Yankee coffee
I got at Glèvres from you!
Lt. John Pierre Roche

THE GOLDERICK STANDS INSPECTION

INSTEDEDING
There is trouble in the air,
Soldlers busy everywhere—
wondering what makes them act that way
I think I have a hunch,
From the actions of the bunch,
ere's a show-down inspection due today.

I wish they'd let me rest,
I should worry how I'm dressed,
see inspections keep a man upon the
My equipment I must find,
If I don't I'll be confined,
been a week since I have cleaned

Oh, the worry and the strain, Upon my wearled brain! wonder where my O.D. shirt can be? A pair of socks are missing. It sure does keep me guessing. ceping up with my equipment C.

Hobnalls must be well oiled,
My uniform unsolled,
d I've only got an hour to get them clean.
It will take all day and night
To clean my rifle right,
I know the C.O.s eyes are mighty keen.

My mess-kit is a wreck,
I will get it in the neck.
ere is rust upon my knife and fork an
Well, I'll take another chance—
They may pass without a glance,
tope the war is over pretty soon.

The Top has called us out.

"Inspection Arms" he shouts;

"In the shouts, the

FLASHING EYES

EDWIN H. UNDERHILL, Pvt., Hq. Motor Bn., 111th Am. Ts.

Flashing eyes that tempt and taunt me, Are you never tranquil, pray? Think you those gay glances daunt me, Or that I don't know you want me To remain in France alway? Think you that they'il ever haunt me If I do not stay?

Flashing 'eyes, could I but try it,
I should whisper words that may
Turn those cheeks where dimples diet
Into fields where roses riot
On a summer day;
Flashing eyes, won't you be quiet?
Love may lose the way!

S. H. C.

THEY ALSO SERVE

When a man has tried to play the game
Of war with all that's in him,
Not for the honor nor nine days' fame
That playing well might, win him,
But just to pay this shylock world.
For the happiness it sold him
In his heedics youth, when he mocked and hurle
In its face the truths it told him;

When he has come to the call of the drum, Barred out from the fight, set to labor. To worry and work where none may shirk Who give strength to the arm with the sa When he has drained to the dregs his stren Too worn, too frayed, too meager To go out to fight at a rifle's length, Though his heart strains hot and eager;

When he's gone the grind, till he's sick and blir To get the supplies up faster— He isn't inclined, after all, to mind A jibe at the Quartermaster. Burrow Davis, Sgt. 1st Cl., Q.M.C.

RHINELAND—CHRISTMAS, 1918 is Christmas Eve; upon the hills snowy hand from Heaven stills The wintry trees. All straight and stark They stand as in some baron's park; and where a poaching sunset fills gainst the sky the forest grilles leafy fall of moments into dark—The chartest and straight for the chartest forms.

Although no light high Heaven thrills
This village in a cup distills
Stars of its own home magic: mark!
As it from catching yonder spark
Are lit a hundred window sills.
"Tis Christmas Eve.

reace upon earth: A frozen ground have back the silver seeds of sound. Scraphic in no golden ears. Through nearly twenty hundred years—low, only, when the world was drowned in warring waters, and no mound tennined on which a boxes appears. Walking upon the waves appears. Feace upon earth!

Surely, our world was never crowned With Christmas such as this! Rebound, Ye smitten hills, from battle blers; Ring out, O bells, like chanticleers, To sing a new-born world around—Pence upon earth!

Good will to men: And will no bell
In all this village in a dell
Ring out the word? . . Alas, a lust
For conquest spared no sacred crust
Of metal—what was wont to dwell
In this church tower was word to well
Perchance the dell the final knell
Through Belgian beltry, and its trust—
Good will to men.

Tonight the yesterday of hell Seems long since laid away, a Red portals, Yankee bugles tell: Good will to men.

Glory to God: His church within
We wait of dawn the coming in.
The vaulted dark is bare of light
Save in the aisles, to left and right.
That seem to kneel, like watchers twin:
The pall that in the chancel splin
Great shadows, with a blood-red pin
Is pricked, in Christmas altar rite—
Glory to God.

Glory to God.

And through the moon-lit tourmaline
Of upper windows snowflakes win
Whene'er the wind is heard.
About me men who stand upright
And still have thought: to us is sin;
Glory to God.

"Tis Christmas Day: The hills upon,
a spiendid plumage of the swan
Feathers the branches of the trees
In fine-as-thread black traceries
O'er all the white caparison.
Ho, towers of the church! To don
Those caps of snow the evening gone
Was hardly dignified. At ease!

"Tis Christmas Day!

Now is no time for vigils won.

Bring out from church the skeleton,
If bring you must. We'll make—or freeze—
A man of him, of snow, to please
The youngest Gretchen and Johann—
"Tis Christmas Day!
Pvt. X., Third Army.





AND STILL THEY COME

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES I have read in the columns of your most excellent paper the famous exploits of En-sign Fred Anderson and J. Gorman Strasler in the art of quantity hot cake baking.

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My respects to these gentlemen whose fame no doubt is high in the flaplack world and probably, with but one exception, without a peer. That one exception is a certain mess sergeant in the Army of Occupation, doing duty a while back somewhere between the Argone Forest and the Rhine. I am sorry that for various reasons his name cannot be mentioned, and it would be a breach of military prudence should I mention the place where this most modest mess sergeant did some real flaplack baking.

A number of fighting divisions were enroute to the Rhine when a general order comes flying through the columns of marching troops that a rest of one week would be granted, and a mess sergeant was wanted to erect and direct the consolidation of the many kitchens in the 2nd Division and feed the hungry, tired, footsore soldiers.

So, like a good patriot, the very modestmiss sergeant of whom I write volunteered his services, and by the aid of a Spad was hastened to the head of the column, and at a place selected beforehand set in at once. The Spad made such good, time that the sergeant arrived by the same means soon after. He wired-the headquarters of the medical supply department to forward a trainload of field hospital ward tents, which came a few hours later. My respects to these gentlemen whose fam-

department to forward a trainload of field hospital ward tents, which came a few hours later.

Fourteen hundred of these large tents were put end to end in a series of 14 rows, each row consisting of 100 tents, which made a mess hall under canvas 20 feet wide and 6,000 feet long, something over a mile in length, the 14 rows making in all about 13 miles of mess hall space. Twenty-six miles of tables were erected, and in front of the 14 rows 1,750 field kitchens were lined up side by side so close they formed one long range about a mile and a half in length. Twenty miles of light railway was laid in front and back of this range and through the 14 canvas mess halls, with a five-mile double-track spur running to the ration dump.

While this was being done, which took about ten minutes, the Q.M. erected a huge sawmill nearby with a capacity of cutting 1,700 cords of firewood every hour, which would be needed to keep the griddles hot. The Engineers erected a series of 150 steam trip-hammers to mash potatoes. A circular ditch was dug having a circumference of about half a mile, 20 feet wide and about four feet deep, and this was lined on the bottom and each side with steel, and a battery of four tanks was employed to grind the 20 carloads of coffee dumped therein for each meal.

The stevedores in a Pioneer regiment lined

meal.

The stevedores in a Pioneer regiment lined up a battery of 500 concrete mixers to stir the batter. The doughboys out of several outfits dug a trench 1,000 feet wide and a mile long in about 15 minutes to dump the eggshells in, which were carried away from the range by a series of 100 endless belts, can's 2000 varies long and traveling at the

in the range by a series of 100 endless belts, each 2,000 yards long and traveling at the rate of 270 miles an bour.

Every ten minutes a 30-car trainload of flour was unloaded into the mixers and a very large river a few miles away was literally taken out of its course and run through a giant flume in order to supply a sufficient quantity of water for the mixers and the 3,750 G.I. cans of coffee required each meal.

An airplane of the Handley-Page type, traveling at the rate of 360 miles an hour, would make regular half-minute trips over the whole length of the range, dragging a huge perforated drum containing, when full, about 50,000 gallons of grease.

The batter was about upon the griddles by a battery of 3,000 machine guns of a special stype especially suited for this work, and they were operated by the 7,140 cooks and helpers employed in the kitchen. The cakes were turned by a device resembling a hay-turning machine, which was fastened on the rear of a Ford and made to travel up and down the range at full speed.

As the cakes were finished they were loaded on flatcars and hauled by 16 light steam locomotives into the 14 great mess tents, where a whole division on K.P. duty served them. Syrup was supplied from a large tank suspended 60 feet in the air in the center of the camp. Pipe lines leading into each of the 1,400 tents from this tank, which held, when full, about 150,000 gallons of pure maple

syrup, gave every soldier ample sweetness for his stack of hots.

Now you will agree with me that to direct such a luge enterprise as this it required brains, so the Signal Corps erected a telephone exchange requiring 500 operators, and by this system the entire feeding of a body of soldiers equal to the population of Pittsburgh was intelligently directed by this most modest megs sergeant, while suspended in a basket beneath an observation balloon some thousand yards above the earth.

Everything was accomplished in a few hours, and as many as 200,000 soldiers could be fed every eight minutes and each receive as many as 20 flapjacks, if wanted, which was often done of a morning during their week's rest.

I have omitted many facts about this great feding camp, but will say no more for fear of embarrassing the sergeant in charge. Maybe ha will accept an invitation to participate in a flapjack baking confest, but owing to his modesty I am afraid he may decline, so with that I will close this little citation.

IN MEMORIAM

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES: To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIFES, Just a few lines to remind you that February 5, 1919, is the first anniversary of the sinking of the S.S. Tuscania off the coast of Ireland by a U-boat. About 150 officers and soldiers of all arms that boarded the ship January 23, 1918, in New York now lie under the sod and dew in the Isle of Islay, in the Irish Sea.

Irish Sea.

Their sacrifice is not listed with those of the heroes who had a chance to make the Hun pay before they gave their last drop of blood that this nation might not perish from

blood that this nation might not perish from the earth.

The Mobile Laboratory of the 32nd Division, consisting of two officers and four men, were among the last to leave the ship on an English destroyer, as our boat was smashed by the explosion. The senior officer was transferred to a base laboratory soon after our arrival in France. The rest of the smallest unit in the A.E.F. have worked with the 32nd Division since our arrival in France, and are now in Germany.

At this time the organization wishes to thank the civilian and military folk who treated us so kindly in Ireland and the American Red Cross in England.

C. H. Readers.

C. H. READER, 1st Lt., Sanitary Corps.

WHAT WAS ORDERED?

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:
Relatives of mine wrote and told me some
time ago that they intended sending me a
Christmas present through a large Eastern
metropolitan department store.

I received the package tonight, with the
following printed slip: "The exact article
ordered being temporarily sold out, the nearest in 'stock has been substituted, and we
trust will meet with your approval."

The substitute was a can of Pure Cane
Golden Syrup, Superior Quality. The can is
about four inches in helght by three in
diameter. It is worth about 25 cents, maybe
25 with the war tax

THE MARINES

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:

We have read with interest letters published in your issue of January 10 under the heading, "It Depends," There seem to be still some fools in the world. We regret that some are represented by Cpl. Fred Sedberry, Co. M, 13th Regt., U.S.M.C.

The undersigned are now candidates at the Infantry Candidates' School at La Valbonne, and all belong to the 5th and 6th Marines of the 2nd Division. We have fought side by side with the 3th and 23rd Infantry, not only in Belleau woods, but in all engagements except when some of our number were evacuated to some hospital. The majority have been in France a year and a half, and we have learned to know our side kicks, the 3th and 23rd Infantry, not only as good fellows, but as comrades in every danger. We are not only willing to share with them the achievements of the 2nd Division, but in these few words we give them the credit that only a fellow soldier can give another.

Cpl. Sedberry, who admits he has never been at the front, has perhaps never Known what it means to owe his life to a doughboy or to have the satisfying feeling of doughboys at your side who shared equally the burdens of an active campaign and who were unjustly deprived of the 3lory at the time by censors as hip regulations.

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deprived of the glory at the time by censorship regulations.

The injustice of his claims to sole glory for the Marines is so apparent to one who has been there that we attribute it to sheer ignorance. We rise to apologize to our many doughboy comrades of the 9th and 23rd Infantry for a letter too evidently written by a "boot" (Marine for recruit).

Signed:

ry for a letter upo evaneas, "boot" (Marine for recruit).
Signed:
Mire Reardon, Gy. Sgt., 5th Marines;
RAY H. WILSON, CDl., 5th Marines;
JOE MANNING, Gy. Sgt., 5th Marines;
THOMAS D. CLANOY, Gy. Sgt., 5th Marines;
PAUL E. PORHER, Sgt., 5th Marines;
EDWARD K. STATEON, Sgt., 5th Marines;
JOHN J. HICKEN, Sgt., 5th Marines;
J. Y. GIDLEY, Sgt., 5th Marines;
E. E. ERICKSON, CDl., 5th Marines;
JOHN P. WEST, Sgt., 5th Marines;
J. RUSSELL, JR., CDl., 5th Marines;
A. HEFFRON, CDl., 5th Marines;
A. S. COREY, Sgt., 5th Marines.

POWDER RIVER

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:
In your November 29 issue you have an article on the Powder River war cry.
That has been the Montana National Guard war cry for several years back, and the old-2nd Montane Infantry had it in the days of Douglas, Arizona, in 1916. Powder River is a small stream that comes from the south up through Montana and empties into the Yelowstone about 15 miles east of Miles-City.
The Powder River valley is a famous ranching country, and the Powder River cowpunchers originated the war cry, which is: "Powder River, a mile wide and an inch deep! Let 'er buck!"
The 2nd Montana Infantry is now the 163rd Infantry, a part of the 41st Division, now the 1st Depot Division, and as our organization was used to replace the First American Army over here last January, we were unable to carry our war cry over the top as we had planned.

FEED L. Beer, 1st Lt., U.S.A.

FRED L. BEGER, 1st Lt., U.S.A., Formerly of 2nd Montana Infantry.

PLAYING THE MARKET

To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:

We have a man we want to put up against the man who started the bog ranch as the world's champion agriculturist and stockman.

After an injection of "wealthy water," our mess sergeant paid 95 francs for a nice fat the butchers had been paraded and inspected, the butchers had been paraded and inspected, the sheep was found to be two sheep, and while-congratulations were being offered the mess as sergeant on his rare bargain, another showed up. We can't separate the family, and three are too many for the company. On top of that, we can't get as much for all of them as we paid for the one. If any one can beat this as an example of the shrewd purchasing ability of the American stockman, or as a hard luck story, let us know.

P.S.: We have named the twin Alpha and Omega, as it is a cinch that one is the first and we hope that the other is the last sheep to be born in our mess hall. To the Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES

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WHAT THE MEN

Spring Styles Suggested for Swagger Soldiers

WILL WEAR

By HENRY

With the first suggestive chills of winter in the air, it seems a bit daring, doesn't it, to talk about spring styles? But already the know-it-alls have begun to cluster around-the Sibloy stove and whisper of what will be worn in the A.E.F. by the trig aviators and the trigger doughboys next season.

trig aviators and the tribust cases.

I predict many startling and radical changes, but the more conservative members of the A.E.F., those who expect to extend their European visit, the type of men who sleep on and not in their breeches, will cling to the old popular olive-drah, or mud-brindle, for inspection and drills, varying this with blues and browns cut in loose, flowing lines, for fatigue and loung-ing wear.

loose, flowing lines, for fatigue and lounging wear.

If the little bird, hopping about the orderly room where the Wise Ones congregate tells me truthfully, there will be one malical chunge in headgear. In the best circles the in tut, once so popular among the rollicking young bucks, has been discarded. The loss conservative element will substitute the plain black derby or crusher in the States. The latter, however, will not be worn, here with any success.

Another innovation will be a small iron bracelet worn just above the right anide. It, will be seen on the younger set who have spent the winter at the exclusion that the property of the winter at the exclusion of the property of the propert

the war had insted.

Now that the rigors of life at the front have subsided, field clerks will adopt lighter and more graceful one. The cold field shoe, despite dometriable lines, will be replaced by the russet pump.

As has been the custom in the past, there will be contained in the past, there will be contained in the past, there will be contained in thirts before all brunchess, except perhaps the Medical Corps, both day and night.

Corps, both day and night.

As the gentler winds blow up from the Mediterranean. I think we shall see the short coat, the sweater and even the breeches growing less and less popular as a part of the robe de nuit, in fact, it is not beyond a possibility that large numbers of pajamas will be worn, especially among top sergeants and up.

COOTIE HINTS

By Beatrice Buckprivate

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An interesting little social gathering at
St. Algnan recently developed a novel mode
of alding deserving war charities and at
the same time inducing heatiful and beautifying habits among those present. At a
signal from the hostess, a sergeant-salet
ant in the Blacksmithing Corps, each guest
took off his O.D. shirt and, br, other shirt,
and proceeded to count the number of uninvited guests he had unwittingly brought
with him from the more forward areas of
the A.E.F.

with him from the more forward areas of the A.E.F.

For every uninvited guest each person was penalized one sou, the fines being turned into the fund for establishing an Old M.P.'s Home at Tierra del Fuego, South America. Some of the guests, on hearing of the purpose of the fund, tried to cheut on their counts and to contribute more than they could be legally assessed, but strict justice prevailed in the end. Sulphur ointment is coming more and more into vogue among the more careful members of the A.E.F. who wish to return to the United States with their beauty untarnished. The most frequent usors are said to be those who have guilelessly borrowed binahets and various rest stations in the S.O.S., little wotting that the same of their less unfortunation of the commence of their less unfortunative with the same of their less unfortunative maccession and then followed by another hot bath to take the effects away, sulphur ointment.



Here is a dainty design or a gilet at caleçon slightly varied from the formal issue underwear. It will probably be worn by those officers and men who, apparently, cannot be hampered by regulations in choosing what they laughingly call their "uniform."

makes for permanent cleansing and beautifying of the sidn.
Iodine is, after all, the one unfalling panacea for all facial or interior blemishes, as a hasty glance over the records of the medical department will readily testify. In fact, the younger medical set flas worked out a dainty system of patches, whereby a sergeant, if he is sufficiently bald, may wear his chevrons, painted it lodines of the sufficient of the system of the sufficient of the stream in question is too busy to dress for mess, as it obviates his losing the dignity which his rank, and his rank alone, confers on him.

Our Daily Bedside Story



DAILY HINT FROM PARIS



QUERIES ANSWERED

By Althea

Having to work in the vicinity of the average first sergeant (or "top," as he is facetiously and affectionately called in the A.E.F.), is enough to work have with any commands vocabularly, even though be the nicest of S.O.L." It means nothing more nor loss thun "Sweet On Lola." You should worry, Lola dear!

HINTS FOR THE HOME

By DOROTHY DOBEIS

The keyword for the soldier's little nest ust be economy with beauty and, when ossible, sanitation.

oosible, sanitation.

Never leave soap, cigars, razors, money or extra collar insignia lying about on the iresser. It will surely get into some comade's way and he will be forced to dis-

ide's way and he was see of it.

Try to make things as cheerful as you an. Paste the picture post cards they ron't let you send through the mails just ver someone clae's bunk.

If you have stolen any gasoline to clean our gun with, don't put it into a chambagne bottle and hide it where the room reterly can find it. He might think it was something else.

riderly can find it. He mignt turn-omething else.
Do not waste money on trifice like un-lerweur. Just ask the Supply Sergennt. Ice is always so willing to give you just what you want whenever you think you

need it.

Keep your shelves neat. A small shelf-cover, neatly cut from a shelter half taken from someone in another company or section, will make things more homelike. Until the owner finds it.

Every Saturday after inspection, take the dirty sox out from under the clean ones and put them in the bottom of the barneks bag. It is well to keep an extra pair of clean sox for each inspection.

Don't spend money that might be invested in indoor sports on Brussels carpets. I must not omit a comment here about personal appearance. Many disregard this and it is, oh, so important, if you are to live happily! Perhaps one of the most horrid things that come between people otherwise fond of each other is superfluous hair! I get so many, many inquiries about this, especially from privates, and many, many remedies of the distribution of the dis

DAINTY DISHES

From Army Housewives

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Miramas Marinque.—As I was in an outfit detailed to guard Q.M. stores, but not
to use them, situated about 50 miles from
the Italian border. I was at first at a less
how to provide suitable and adequate desserts for my little flock. At length, however, I was able to devise the following,
which has mot with howis every time it
hus graced our daintily rustic slab tables:
Three parts south Gaul mud. Two parts
native garlic. One-balf part Colonel's
shaving soap, beaten thoroughly and used
as frosting. One part bird seed, sprinkled
in with the shaving soap to give a festive
offect.

as frosting. One part bird seed, sprinkled in with the shaving soap to give a festive effect.

This tasty little trific can be gotten together in a hurry at any time when visitors are expected, as the lifgredients lie near at hand and only a little dexterous liching and mixing is needed. The Steve, dores at work on this project say it is an immense improvement on the chocolate midding they were fed back in the States. I inflict it on the officers' mess at least three nights a week.—I. W. G., Cook of —CO., Q.M.C.

Rolampont Ragout.—My poor, dear boys being at such a loss for toothsome tidhits I have, after much planning by day, contrived the following tasty dish, which can be served morning, noon and night each be served morning, noon and night can be put up in burrels spredients are:

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If a nextra detail blows in at mess time, or one of those troublesome and fastidious Signal Corps outflits happens to drop around, all that I have to do is to add more Marne water and serve. Of course, I suppose that some captious-souls will endeavor to point out that my own—MY OWN!—ragout is nothing more nor less than sturn; well, what if it is? That for then!—Temperament.—Por this electable class are a suppose that some captious souls will endeavor to point out that my own—MY OWN!—ragout is nothing more nor less than sturn; well, what if it is? That for then!—Temperament.—Por this electable class and the shooting game; white fleur, and the leftover's of Monday morning's comment mush. To add to the unfeigned surprise which this offering never fails to excite at our little family table, I insufation, in every thirteenth party mitted fails to excite at our little family allow, I insufation. In overy thirteenth party my long and the content of the concection per second appropriate, not to say bizarre.—Tony Torton, Look of ...—Co. ...—Mr.

HEALTH HINTS

" By Dr. C. C. Pill, M. C.

Y. D.—If you are unable to find any dentist with enough equipment to see of your dental difficulties, brush teath violently with iodine everying for three days and then have all pulled out.

F. B. A.—It can hardly be claimed that your indigestion existed prior to enlist-ment, even if the eggs you ate did. Try painting the cook with iodine.

S. O. L.—This query will have to be answered by courier, as the censorship forhids all reference to troop movements. In the meantime, paint yourself with iodine.

R. T. O.—Unfortunately, the itch cannot justify us in recommending an S.C.D., as we have to have somebody left in the Army. However, you will probably be demobilized before you are cured anyway, if that is any comfort to you. As for iodine—ay, there's the rub.

M. P.—Your description of the top ser-geant suggests forcibly that he is suffer-ing from delusions—probably a case o manic depressive insanity, brought on by worry, Most of them are. Try spilling iodine on your service record.

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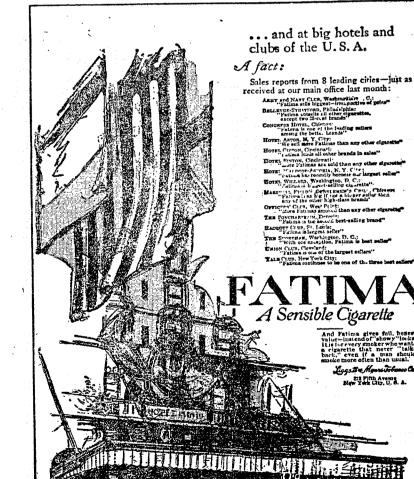
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THE PENURIOUSNESS OF PENELOPE

By SERGEANT BULL



Licutenant Bolivar, allowed out for his irst airing, had got his shoes away from the wardmaster at last and was saunter-ng somewhat shakily through the bosnital ato, when his beautiful brown eyes opened tide with horror. There was a truck, sooming along the highway, and there lumbering innocently in the road, was

enclope.

"Miss Prune, Miss Prune," he cried and, unging forward, he caught her by the houlders and dragged her to safety Just is the F.W.D. lumbered past.

Pencelope said she was much obliged and tarted to sidle away. The licutenant followed, for his heart told him that the time ad come to speak.

love you."

From the brave old French cathedral is the near-by village came the soft muste o the angelus. The brave French windmill on the hill were turning drowsily in the sunset glow. From the postofice close a hand came the thump-thump-thump of the Chaplain censoring letters.

there is another. Finally, derive mures harm his late they nurses harm his late they have been according to the contents but who leave pare who knows more about slick and they have been according to the property of the content o

"Then it is true!" he cried in despair.
She hung her head.
"You are going to marry that old Master Hospital Sergeant for his money. You are going to sell your soul for his re-enistment pay."
(Not to be continued)

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CHANCE FOR ALL AT INTER-ALLIED MEET

Competing Nations to Have Equal Voice in Fixing Official Events

LIST OF SPORTS COMPILED

Each Country Will Choose Events in Which It Will Participate; Unique Plan Pleases

One of the fairest and most complet athletic programs ever devised for any Olympic games is being drawn up for the great Inter-Allied contests which will be held at Joinville-le-Pont, near Paris, in the spring.

The invitation basis for the meet gave

the impression to many interested persons that the American Army would set forth a fixed program which might include events not generally practiced by other countries and might leave out many of Europe's

most popular sports.

Inquiry at American Headquarters developed the fact that officers responsible for the task of drawing up the program are now busily engaged in making up a list of all major sports practiced in the various Allied countries, and that from this list the final program is to be arranged on a basis that will give each competing country, large or small, what amounts to an equal voice in fixing the official events.

New Program Will Be Arranged

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A unique pian has been hit upon. The compiste list of possible sports is to be sent to each country accepting General Pershing's luvitation with the request that each nation make entit in as many of these sports as it desires. Any sport in which at lescontess no official event, and a championable contest in that event will be conducted as part of the games. Any sport will be termed an exhibition event, and a that sport which attracts only one entry will be termed an exhibition event, and that sport will be demonstrated during the annes if the country concerned so desires and is prepared to put it on.

This aplendid pian gives advantage to no single country, establishes an equal basis for the selection of events, insures a contest in any sport in which even so few as two nations may enter and gives evely country an opportunity to demonstrate any no ther nations at the title sports even though no other nations may enter.

It also precludes the possibility of the disastisfaction that has often marred the Olympic games in the past and is regarded as a distinct advance in arranging a program of international athletic contests.

LONG, LONG TRAIL FOR 1ST ARMY MEN

Road Race from Semur to Tonnerre Booked for February 8

A road race from Semur to Tonnerre, a distance of 60 kilometers, is an innovation to be introduced by Lt. Col. H. M. Nelly in the First Army Corps on Saturday, February 8. Four teams representing the Corps Troops and the 36th, 78th and 80th Divisions will take part.

The teams will be composed entirely of enlisted men, who will wear the regulation O.D. breeches, leggins and field shoes, and Semur will be through the towns of ordered and O.D. shirt or sweater. The cours Mortand, Aisy, Nuits, Further, Ancy-le-Frang and Lezinnes, or Tonner. One man team will be started abreas at Semur and one man from each the and the same of the course of the composition of the compositio

trucks is forbidden.

Should it become necessary to relieve any man before he runs his kilometer his team will be charged with the loss of five minutes as well as the distance lost. Ambulances with a Medical officer and attendants will follow the man to take care of any runner who finds the pace too swift.

TWO RING CIRCUS AT K. OF C. OPENING

Big Crowd Sees Novelty 29TH DIVISION PUGS Show at Salle Wagram— **Bouts Are Fast**

Three thousand fight fans attended the opening of the new Knights of Columbus boxing pavillon in the Saile Wagram Monday evening and witnessed a mammoth entertainment p rovided for the big event. The new hall, situated midway between the Etolie and Ternes stations, is an ideal niclosure for the holding of athletic events, and the K of C management is to be congratulated upon the selection.

Matchmaker Carey promised a novelty for the opener and sprung a double ring system on the fans that kept every pair of eyes busily occupied throughout the nozers were required to watching and every before. In the control of the

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As a novelty, the plan was a success, although there were features connected with
the new scheme that were not advantageous. For example, the two minute rest
between rounds, made necessary while the
alternating bout was in progress, robbed a
boxer of his lead. It gavp a man who was
palpably "out" a chance to recuperate,
which more than nullified the winning
man's chances.

The double ring system exposed one thing
—a dearth of American boxers. The M.C.
annownced that several American boxers
had failed to get travel orders. Anyway,
the shortage of fighting material was such
that the lest five bouts were between
Presch boxers and the resultant scrapping
was tables.

French boxers and the resultant scrapping was tame.

Eighteen matches were staged and while American and French boxers were setting the question of supremacy, enthusiasm was at a high pitch. There were many notable events. Billy Kleek of the Strd Division added to his laurels by walloping Avelin of France in a gruelling bout. Gene Turney, the Marine, had the best of Bob Martin, the Strd Division giast, and won a popular victory. Martin tried to land a K.O. with his right but the Marine was too clever for him and jabbed the Oldoan's face for a faretheewell.

MIDDLEWEIGHT . TITLE HOLDER



States.

O'Dowd is one of the few pugs who actually served at the front in the present war, being a member of Co. F, 55th Engineers. He won his title in Brooklyn shortly before he entered the United States

shortly before he entered the United States Army.
Unlike most champions, O'Dowd, because of his services overseas, has been unable to reap any financial returns from his title, but we feel sure the fans will not forget the doughty little St. Paul scrapper when he returns home. And we are glad to find a boxing champion who puts patriotism above dollars.
O'Dowd is anxious to box Georges Carpentier, the French battler, hut as the Frenchman tops the scales around 175 pounds, he would be too heavy and would have other physical advantages that would make a bout with O'Dowd out of the question.

STAGE ALL SET FOR BIG S. O. S. BATTLE

Intersectional Basketball and Football Schedules Made Public

Basketball and football schedules for sames to determine the championships of the S.O.S. have been arranged by Major General Harbord, and commencing February 9, when the first football contest will staged and continuing until March 22, when the last basketball game will have been played, the S.O.S. will devote all its spare time and energy toward the task of developing winning team.

All intersectional basketball games will take place on indoor courts.

The football schedule is as follows:

FEBBUARY 9.

R.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 4—to be played at St. Narritre Sec. vs. B.S. No. 5—to be played at Tours.

R.S. No. 6 vs. B.S. No. 7—to be played at Marackler B.S. No. 3 vs. Adv. Sec.—be be played at Marackler B.S. No. 3 vs. Paris—to be played at Indeenut B. No. 3 vs. Paris—to be played at Indeenut B. No. 3 vs. Paris—to be played at Indeenut

The semi-finals will be played on February 16 and the final game for the cham donship of the S.O.S., on February 23 to played to be designated later. The cams playing in the finals will immediately thereafter go into training for the A.E.F. thamplonship games. Officials for each game will be selected by the athletic officers of the sections concerned.

Basketball Schedule

	hasketball championship is as follows:
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l	Feb. 22—B.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 2—at B.S. No. 1 B.S. No. 3 vs. Adv. Sec. —at Adv. Sec.
	B.S. No. 4 vs. Int. Secat Int. Sec.
1	B.S. No. 5 vs. B.S. No. 7 st B.S. No. 7 B.S. No. 6 vs. Paris at B.S. No. 6
	B.S. No. 6 vs. Paris —at B.S. No. 6 Feb. 26—B.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 3—at B.S. No. 1
	B.S. No. 4 vs. Adv. Secat B.S. No. 4
1	B.S. No. 5 vs. Int. Secat B.S. No. 5 B.S. No. 6 vs. B.S. No. 7at B.S. No. 6
	R.S. No. 2 vs. Paris -at R.S. No. 2
1	Mar. 1-B.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 4-at B.S. No. 4
1	B.S. No. 5 vs. B.S. No. 2-at B.S. No. 2 B.S. No. 5 vs. Adv. Secat B.S. No. 5
١	B.S. No. 6 vs. Int. Secat B.S. No. 6
	H.S. No. 7 vs. Parisat B.S. No. 7
1	Mar. 5-B.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 5-at B.S. No. 1 B.S. No. 2 vs. B.S. No. 4-at B.S. No. 2
1	B.S. No. 6 vs. Adv. Secat Adv. Sec.
1	B.S. No. 7 vs. Int. Sec. —at Int. Sec. B.S. No. 8 vs. Paris —at Paris
1	Mar. 8-B.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 6-at B.S. No. 6
1	B.B. No. 2 vs. B.S. No. 5at B.S. No. 2
	B.S. No. 3 vs. B.S. No. 4at B.S. No. 3 B.S. No. 7 vs. Adv. Secat Adv. Sec.
1	Int. Sec. vs. Paris -at Paris
1	Mar. 12-B.S. No. 1 vs. B.S. No. 1-at B.S. No. 1
١	B.S. No. 2 vs. B.S. No. 6—at B.S. No. 6 B.S. No. 5 vs. B.S. No. 6—at B.S. No. 5
١	Int. Sec. vs. Adv. Secat Int. Sec.
1	B.S. No. 4 vs. Paris —at Paris Mar. 15—B.S. No. 1 vs. Int. Sec. —at B.S. No. 1
1	Mar. 15-B.S. No. 1 vs. Int. Secat B.S. No. 1 B.S. No. 2 vs. B.S. No. 7-at B.S. No. 7
1	B.S. No. 3 vs. B.S. No. 6-at B.S. No. 6
1	B.S. No. 4 vs. B.S. No. 5—st B.S. No. 5 Adv. Sec. vs. Paris —at Adv. Sec.
ı	Mar. 15-B.S. No. 1 vs. Adv. Secat Adv. Sec.
١	B.S. No. 2 vs. Int. Sec at B.S. No. 3
1	B.S. No. 3 vs. B.S. No. 7-at B.S. No. 7 B.S. No. 4 vs. B.S. No. 4-at B.S. No. 4
1	B.S. No. 5 vs. Paris At Paris
١	Mar, 22-B.S. No. 2 vs. Adv. Secat Adv. Sec. B.S. No. 8 vs. Int. Secat Int. Sec.
ı	B.S. No. 3 vs. Int. Sec. —at Int. Sec. B.S. No. 4 vs. B.S. No. 7—at B.S. No. 4
ı	B.S. No. 5 vs. B.S. No. 6-44 B.S. No. 5
ı	B.S. No. 1 vs. Paris —at B.S. No. 1
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The pick of the 29th Division's mitt wielders came to Paris Friday night, and gave an exhibition of boxing that has not been equaled at the K. of C. hail since they inaugurated their weekly shows. The boys went into the ring full of confidence and in the pink of condition as the result of the training they received under the tutelage of Sgt. "Spike" Webb.

Fifteen boxers were brought to the Cinema des Arts by Capt. J. E. Hodge, V.C., and Tom McNaily, K. of C. secretary, and they carried off every fight, although pitted against some of the best boxers of France in their respective weights.

NAME

SKATERS WHO ANSWERED

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YANK FIGHTERS OFF ON ITALIAN TOUR

Best A.E.F. Ring Material Selected for Trip to **Land of Caesars**

REAL CHAMP HEADS GROUP

Mike O'Dowd, Al Norton, Bud Clancy, Gene Payo and Gene **Delmont With Party**

Nine of the best boxers in the A.E.F., in three different weights, left yesterday for Italy where they will, demonstrate the fine points of the ring game in Milan, Florence and Rome, Jimmy Bronson, Y.M.C.A. athletic director, selected the men and is accompanying them on the trip.

As was to be expected, Mike O'Dowd, middleweight champion of the world, of Co. F. 55th Engineers, heads the list. The others are Al Norton, light-heavyweight champion of the Pacific coast, Base Hospital 95; Bud Clancy, light-heavyweight champion of the Middle West, Headquarters Troon, 35th Division; Gene Delmont, of Memphis, contender for the lightweight title, 148 Aero Squadron; Gene Payo, of El Paso, lightweight champion of Mexico, Senior Chaplain's Detachment, Le Mans; Joe Tlerney, formerly assistant boxing instructor at Camp Dix, N. J., now with the Postal Express Service; Jimmy Foley, of St. Louis, contender for the featherweight title, G.H.Q.; Kid Dayton, of Dayton, Oho, contender for the featherweight line, 20th Air Depot, and Johnie Butchin, of Philadelphia, also contender for featherweight honors. Headquarters Company, First Army.

Battle Under Assumed Names

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It is an odd coincidence that of this entire party, only three are boxing under their own names. Norton's right name is A. E. Breaux, Clancy's is John R. Bolger, Faye's is Eugene Ortegon, Delmont's is Ernest Barasso, Dayton's is Frank Reisinger, Foley's 1s Herbert Green, and Jimmy Bronson, himself, in civil life, is James Dougherty.

All of the men are private except Foley and Clancy and one—Gene Delmont—speaks or understands Italian.

In making his selections, Bronson took into consideration every available boxer in the A.E.F. regardless of where he was stationed and he believes he picked the nine best men at the weights.

The first series of bouts will take place in Milan February 7 when many prominent officials of the Italian government, Army and Navy will be present by invitation.

George W. Owens, athletic director of the Y.M.C.A. in Milan, came to Paris early in the week to arrange details of the tour.

AVIATOR'S HEADGEAR FOR FOOTBALL TEAM

Pigskin Warriors of 88th **Division Improvise Gridiron Togs**

Aviation and football have but little in common except that both have "beaucoup" downs but aviation will play a prominent part in the football season of the 88th Division which opens February 8 when the Hunnuskers clash with the 5th Division near Gondrecourt.

Failure to obtain football suits had the pigskin warriors of the 88th worried for awhile but they were not to be thwarted by such a small obstacle and got busy and improvised their togs.

They got aviation caps for their heads, Red Cross sweaters in place of Jerseys, and padded their blue denim fatigue pants for use as football breeches. They went to Nancy and bought woolen stockings and for shoes they added cleats to their old Army kicks.

For the past week the 88th eleven has

for snoes they added because had here keeps. For the past week the 88th eleven has been having daily mud practice—the French weather man being very unaccommodating about drying off the field. When the hangars are fixed up ashes and straw may make footing secure.

The 5th Division team will come all the way from Germany to play at Gondrecourt.

NINTH ARMY CORPS TO HOLD BIG RIFLE MATCH

The first A.E.F. rifle match to be held on the upper Meuse this winter will be an inter-divisional shoot between troops in the Ninth Army Corps, commencing Feb-

Try-outs for divisional teams in prepara-tion for the coming contest were inaugu-rated last Friday at Gondrecourt. The elimination process is going to be a thorough one. Company matches are be-ing held to pick men for regimental con-tests; the winners will shoot to select bri-gade winners and they in turn will shoot to determine those who will take part in the final matches when teams will be se-lected to represent the various divisions.

WIN ALL THEIR FIGHTS FULTZ NAMED HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Lieut. David Fultz, U.S. Aviation Serv-e, and former star football and baseball

Lieut. David Fultz, U.S. Aviation Service, and former star football and baseball player of Brown University, has succeeded John H. Farrell as president of the International Baseball League.
Following his career at college, Fults took up professional baseball, playing with the Baltimore Nationals and the New York and Philadelphia American League teams.
In 1912 he organized the Baseball Players' Fraternity and ran it successfully until 1917 when it went on the rocks following a "strike" of the players.

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....Co. A, 307th Engineers Amateur Champion of Michigan.

NEW ENGLAND SPĖED KING



BOXING COMMISSION PLANNED FOR U. S.

Contests in A.E.F. Give New Impetus to Fistic Sport in States

Revival of boxing in the A.E.F., coupled with announcement of the Army plans to stage elimination contests with a view to leciding A.E.F. championships in all classe rom bantam to heavyweights, has given impetus to fisticuffs in the United States nd plans are now under way to draw up national laws governing the manly art, in order that boxing may be accorded its leitimate place in the realm of sports over

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The Army, Navy and Civilian Boxing Board is the name of the new organization which seeks to elevate the game in the States, it is being backed by many notable Americans, including former President William H. Taft, Maj, Gen, Leemard Wood, Trovost General Crowder and others. Many radical changes are planned in the system of handling houts. The board seeks the abolition of foults which have marreed oxing exhibitions in the past and hopes, by the acquisition of reputable and influential sportsmen as charter members of the organization, to bring about an improvement.

Laws to Legalize Bouts

The program includes the drawing up of national laws to legalize boxing. Prominent among the proposed features are the establishment of State championships, the winners to be contenders for national championships in all classes—this apparently along the lines of the A.E.F. championships; the reclassification of boxers with rigid rules for bouts, action looking toward the repeal of all State laws prohibiting boxing and the general upbuilding of the sport so as to enable it to occupy an honored place in the sphere of athletics.

Officers and men of the A.E.F. actively identified with recreative sports over here, have long recognized the need of better boxing laws in the United States, and in letters back home have expressed their opinions in vigorous terms. Ex-President Tatt, it is said, has undertaken the task of drawing up the new national boxing laws and anything which may be done along the lines indicated will have the unqualified approval of shelf sans in the A.E.F.

CADDOCK'S DREAM IS RUDELY SHATTERED

Ready to Sail When Order **Arrives Restoring Him** to Old Outfit

Plucked from a port of embarkation for he United States just two days before he ras scheduled to sail, Sgt. Earl Caddock,

world, has rejoined his old outfit, Head-quarters Troop, 88th Division, at Gondre-court.

Caddock was top sergeant when he left the division a few days before the armis-tice was signed to attend the Array Candi-dates' School at Langres. When the fight-ing terminated he went to the Holding Camp near Le Mans, where casual compa-nies were made up. He was booked to sail on Wednesday and, as the day drew near, entertained visions of the New York sky-line, juicy steaks and a comfortable chair beside the old hearth. A telegram order-ling him back to his company shattered this, and the only consolation Caddock has is that now he will be able to participate in the A.E.F. wrestling championships.

HUSTON TO RETAIN HIS BASEBALL STOCK

Reports that Col. T. H. Huston, half where of the New York American League aseball team, would dispose of his interest in the club, are denied by the Colonel who as just returned to the United States fter serving with the 16th Engineers.

CHARLES DILLINGHAM

Greetings to the Boys "OVER THERE" From the New York; HIPPODROME

"OVER HERE"

SKATER'S CHALLENGE FINDS MANY TAKERS

Pickering and Lamy With **Those Who Would Race Against Ruping**

BOTH ARE RECORD HOLDERS

Fournament May Be Arranged If Skates Can Be Procured-Others Heard From

When Jack Ruping, the Watervliet, N. Y when Jack Ruping, the watervier, and New Eng-land two-mile lies skating championships, issued his challenge to skaters in the A.E.F., he started something. Skaters of known ability are coming to the front with offers to take him on and every mail add

George Pickering, the New York Athletic Club's ice king, now a member of Battery E, 308th Field Artillery, and holder of the ne mile Metropolitan Outdoor champion distance. Frank P. Dannahy, New Eng-land one and three mile champion, of the Headquarters Hospital Center, Commercy

also accepts the challenge.
Edward Lamy, the Saranac Lake speed
marvel, veteran skater, and former world's
champion, emerged from his dug-out long
enough to read Ruping's challenge, then
grabbed a pen and scribbled off an enswer
"tout de suite."

Ready to Go Home

matter can be arranged with the military authorities. The champion of the Nutmer State, old rock-ribbed Connecticut, was also heard from, in the person of Stephen Eddy, Headquarters Company, 6th Infantry. Other men with records anxious to pit their skill against that of the New Yorker are Joseph A. Kott, First Air Depot, Polsh champion of Chicago: Carl Lyle, Company A, 307th Engineers, omateur champion of Michigan; Floyd M. Davis, M.S.T.U. 2, amateur champion of Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota; Gordon E. Kienzle, U.S. Hospital Train 66, junior National figure skatting champion of the United States and fancy skating champion of Syraeuse, N. Y. And, in the meantime, steps are underway to stage an A.E.F. tournament, if so-sible. The main difficulty is the question of skates, Col. Wait C. Johnson, chief athletic officer of the A.E.F., is endeavoring to get around this obstacle. When he reaches a decision announcement will be made in THE STARS AND STRIPES.

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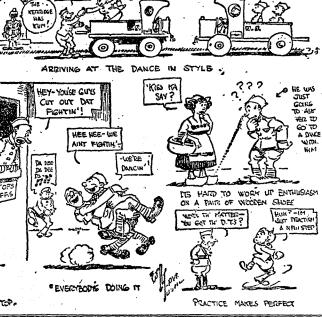


BUCK FINALLY GETS BACK AT HIS AMBITIOUS TOP,

quests of the Army of Occupation are sat-sfied, the troubles of the great bulk o he A.E.F. including the S.O.S. and the intermediate Section, are cleared up.

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-By WALLGREN MELDECL DANCING MONTES MADE EAST

> PICK OUT SOME ONE WHO DOES NT know as much, or as little about stepring as voirself. So that tou WILL HAVE THE ADVANTAGE FROM THE START . YOUR MUSIC SHOULD ALWAYS BE A CORTOCAL SO THAT HE CAN KEEP TIME AND CIVE THE COMMANDS IN 'A MILITARY MANNEY. AS THE ONLY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DANCING AND DOLLING IS THE DISPOSITION .

28th IN STIFF BATTLES ON MARNE AND VESLE

trary, it was doing yeoman service by fur-nishing for some time the only solid resist-ance on this part of the line and delaying the German rush by standing on its origi-nal position until flanked on both sides then falling back fighting to another posi-tion in the Bois de Condé and finally to a third, 500 meters south of the isolated voodland farm, Le Grange aux Bois; whence finally, at about noon, it succeeded in getting word of its continued existence back to headquarters. In the meantime, Colonel Brown, with the

back to heafiquarters.

In the meantime, Colonel Brown, with the greater part of the regiment and some French detachments, established a line of resistance which at 4 o'clock in the afternoon lay approximately along the original second position from the northern edge of the Bois de Rougis to Conde on Brie, with the 1st Battalion on the right and the valley containing the villaye of St. Agnan in front, with the enemy virtually stopped in the edges of the Bois de Conde to the north. Left of the 199th, the French had established a line extending from Dannejeu farm down the Surmelin through Connigis, north of which village it had liston with the 30th United States Infantry of the 3rd Division. The front of a good part of these positions, both American and French, was protected by the fire of the 188th Machine Gun Battalion, near Dannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Dannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near Bannejeu farm, and of the 199th Machine Gun Battalion, near St. Agnan—an assistance of the most vital importance in the temporary absence of artillers support.

Two Attacks Repulsed

On the morning of the 16th at 10 o'clock, the 20th French Infantry Division having come into the sector to counter-attack, the lat Battalion of the 109th Infantry, under Major Gregory, went forward with it. But the whole attack was repulsed in spite of the fearless leadership of men like 2nd Lieut. H. Q. Griffin, who was killed in front of a German machine gun emplacement after he had led his platoon to the most advanced point reached by any detachment, and the work of such enlisted



Cpl. J. J. Lott, Co. C. who twice head of his platoon, cut the enemy nd then returned and guided the through the gaps he had made, re-re assault delivered at 5:30 p.m. cewise repulsed, while St. Agnan, being once retaken by the French, st again before night. After this,

was lost again before night. After this, however, the situation began steadily to improve, and on the 17th the 28th Division began moving out of this sector preparatory to taking its place in the counter-offensive, the 109 Infantry having lost about 780 officers and men during its confused fighting and the 108th Machine Gun more than 40. After about four days of rest immediately in rear of its battle positions, the 28th Division began following up the 3rd Division as it fought its way north from the Marns Ala has been previously mentioned, for the state of t

the 110th had advanced as far as the Ource, and it was just across the river at

the 119th had advanced as far as the Ourcq, and it was just across the river at the end of the day.

At 3:30 a.m. of the 29th the attack was renewed after artillery preparation but was unable to make any progress during of the 30th was unable to make any progress during of the 30th was put down by the enemy's life, as was a similar one at 9 a.m.

But by this time the 119th was thoroughly exosperated. Wounded men sent to the rear were going a little way, then tearing off their diagnosis tags and returning to the front. A thorough artillery preparation was put down, and finally, at 2:30 in the afternoon, a determined rush carried the line into the Bois de Grimpettes and the edge of Clerges, which was entered before dark, though the line was established on the high ground south of town. A number of machine guns were taken in the Bois de Grimpettes and also about 75 prisoners, all heavy machine gunswere taken in the Bois de Grimpettes and also about 75 prisoners, all heavy machine gundered. The Arbre les Jomblets, from which the 42nd Division was suffering severely, unfortunately could not be taken at this time. During the night, the 55th Brigade was relieved by troops of the 32nd United States Division and retired eventually to reserve positions at Jaulgonne, having suffered nearly 800 casualties.

March Toward Vesle Begun

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On August 4, acting as corps reserve, the
division began marching toward the Vesle,
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along the south bank of the river.
At about 7 p.m. of the same day these
battalions, the 2nd and 3rd, made en attack across the river. Troops have seldom
been called upon to go across stronger positions than the Germans held there, with
a river swollen by rains in front of them,
the village of Fismette, directly across from
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in the 28th Division Company B and C
the 11th Infantry, supported by Comnies D, I and A, were detailed to make
a stack at 4:30 a.m. August 10. Preus to their rush against the ravines and
slopes in front, combat patrols worked
ward toward these objectives, other pais with light machine guns stationed
mackles on the housetops of Firmes and
amette, while platoons of other machine
has further back thickened the intense
illiminary artillery bombardment and
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After about four days of rest immediately in rear of its battle positions, the 28th Division began following up the 3rd Division as it fought its way north from the Marne. As has been previously mentioned, the 56th Infantry Brigade came very near to taking ancive part in the battle at place, in rear to taking a compared to the state of the construction of the place of the construction of the place of the construction of the construction of the state of the state of the state of the construction of the state o

SERVICE RECORDS FLOCK TO BOURGES

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address on the persons the department must contain the last name, given name, serial number, rank and organization. A great rush is on just now owing to the fact that quantities of records are being received from those American hospitals from which soldiers are being rapidly evacuated.

service records which have no permanent home.

Since March, 1918, when the sergeant major put out his sign, "Service Record Department," the work of re-directing, endorsing, finding and distributing service records has gradually expanded.

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OFFICERS ON INACTIVE LIST

Officers who were recommended for promotion when the armistice was declared will not actually be promoted, but each officer, according to Secretary Baker, "will be placed on the inactive list of the reserve in the advance grade to which he had been recommended." Mr. Baker explained that the War Department was proceeding on the theory that with demobilization a great inany majors, captains and officers of tigher rank would be loft unassigned, and t is necessary that additional officers in tigher grades be created. The available supply of officers, he indicated, exceeds the lemand.

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Departing Troops Grouped Acto Localities from Which They Came in States

There is one beautiful thing about St. Aignan besides the mud. You don't stay there very long. St. Aignan is the habitat of the First Depot Division. It has been working as such for sometime to the hold of the blaze so conspicuously into the public A.E.F. eye as a replacement center as it has done since becoming a rung on the ladder that leads home.

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For things are moving at St. Aignan. Time was when a hurried telephone call, with a properly authoritative voice behind it, would result in travel orders for a muleskinner, a busker or a brigadier general. Would you have a druggist's assistant, a mechanic, a printer, an authority on Assyrian and Babylonian mural decorations? Call St. Aignan. There are still 60,000 men to pick from. But they are playing a more interesting game at St. Aignan just now. It is called "States." To be eligible to play it, a man must be a casual, the more casual the better. Sides are chosen according to the part of the country—America, not France—that the casuals came from, and when 150 men have been assembled into a company, the race for the transports is begun.

Last year St. Aignan sent home 40 casual companies. In the first three weeks and a few days over of the present year, St. Aignan has sent home 55 casual companies. And this increase is expected to gain steadily.

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The casual companies are formed out of men who have been wounded or recently discharged from a sick bed in a bospital—men, in a word, disqualified for replacement service.

But just being assigned to St. Aignan doesn't necessarily mean a quick trip home. Up at 41st Division headquarters is a corporal who keeps a perfect set of books. He keeps a trial balance of his casuals and replacements each month, and not yet has he got his accounts mixed. No plano tuners charged up as steamfitters, no dramatic critics ticketed as card sharps.

He knows, that corporal, or he can find out in a jiffy, how many bricklayers have been received at the camp and what has become of them. He can run his finger down an index and supply an accummulator expert, accountant, bicyclist, bank clerk, carriage man, entertainer, lumberman, male nurse, tailor, upholsterer and welder all on a single travel order.

St. Aignan, in the twelvemonth that metal December 31, received and readed December 31, received and re

upholsterer and weider all on a single travel order.

St. Aignan, in the twelvemonth that ended December 31, received and reassigned 270,000 soldiers to 987 different organizations.

A total of 1,643 clerks were supplied, and, when it looked as though the supply might run out, a school was started and clerks made to order. So were surgical assistants, and 21,151 supplied to units that needed them.

Officers? Thousands of them. Here is St. Aignan's 1918 account: Colonels, 22; lieutenant colonels, 31; majors, 132; captains, 560; first lieutenants, 1,715; second lieutenants, 1,527.

ANGERS RECALLS DAYS SPENT IN TRAINING CAMPS

SPENT IN TRAINING CAMPS

It's anything but a gay life at the casual officers' camp at Angers. Picture several hundred wearers of am Brownes turning out into the chill orning at reveille, answering roil call.

"g up for mess, attending morning afternoon drill formations, policing their own quarters—in barracks—cetting "called" occasionally for improper saluting or for an unbottoned biouse, "making quiet" after 10 p. m., and you have an idea of the lot of casual officers at Angers.

To the casual officer at Angers there is much that is reminiscent of rookied my in the training camps. Casual officers arriving at the camp are formed in line, given a number, relieved of enough francs to pay for ten days' grub at eight francs to pay for ten days' grub at eight francs to pay for ten days' grub lossely. One notice on the bulletin board closely. One notice on the bulletin board informs the newcomer that the penalty for violation of riles is restriction to quarters and being placed at the foot of the priority home-going list.

"There are picture shows and Angers itself to see, but the greatest diversion is watching the bulletin board for the names of officers designated to still.

It's anything but a gay life at Angers these days.

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It's anything but a gay life at Anger these days.

OLD SEDAN GUNS HIDDEN IN TRIER

Weapons Used in War of 1870 Found in Army Storehouse

Again and again the fact has been orne in upon the men of the American rmy that the German is absolutely against salvaging obsolete military

Another instance of this fact came to light at Trier recently, where the Germans are turning over to the Americans a lot of salvage. There are three main army warehouses at Trier, each of which contained m he equipment. Here the salvage offless found, among other a lot of salvage. There are three main army warehouses at Trier, each of which contained my a equipment. Here the salvage official found, among other things, limbers and caissons that in all probability had not turned a wheel since the return from Sedan in 1871—and they may have been used in the war against Denmark in 1864, or at Sadowa, against the Austrians, two years later. In addition, some old saddles were found, though from them the Germans, with what reluctance can be imagined, had removed the leather. There were 60,000 hand grenades of modern manufacture and 18,000 rifles, of which 2,000 were taken from civilians. Trier was a minor demobilization center following the signing of the armistice.

Eight thousand anti-aircraft shells have been found in dumps on the heights surrounding the city, and these have been ordered destroyed. Two 105mm, anti-aircraft guns, mounted in positions on the heights, also have been ordered removed.

IT'S S CHILLY IN GERMANY AS IT IS ANYWHERE ELSE THESE DAYS

The ex-Kaiser is still missing. It happened at Mayden, headquarters of the 6th Brigade, Third Army, where a bust of the last Hohenzöllern was mounted in an ornate pedestal in a little open space not far from headquarters, On a joyous evening, while everybody who could afford it was making merry, the bust disappeared.

ford it was making merry, the bust disappeared.
Where did it go? Nobody knew. But there had been a light fall of snow in the night, and through this snow, between the pedestal and the river, there were visible footprints, partly obliterated by what seemed to be the dragging of a heavy object over them. The footprints went down to the river bank. They went back, without the heavy object.

bject. The bust is still missing.

Near Hausen, on the road to Mayen, a cannon-a German cannon. It sits Near Hausen, on the road to Mayen, is a cannon—a German cannon. It sits unhonored and unsung, near one end of the village, and it may be added to the number of guns being handed over to the Allies by the Germans and it may not

the Allies by the Germans and it may not.

But it is rapidly becoming a landmark. Children play in the sand and mud beneath it. The women of the neighborhood gather there to gossip. The men discuss the state of internal affairs while leaning over it. Boys play about it. American soldiers examine it, discuss it, and try its levers and wheels. And the other day a great red rooster mounted upon the point of its muzzle and emitted a long, loud, triumphant crow. The best part of it was that an outilt of Yanks was marching through the village at the time.

It is as hard to get into Coblenz as it is to get out of it.

At the Ehrenbreitstein fortress, just across the river, age Kentuckians who have never been in a real big city, or even a medium-sized one like Coblenz, and there are New Yorkers and New Jerseyites who have tasted metropolitan sweets and have a great hankering for seconds.

seconds.

They are on top of the big rock, with
the winking, yellow beckoning lights
just across the river, with the music, the
cafes, the commissary and everything,

A young artilleryman whose outfit is located near Mayen was curious about the high peak that overshadows his billet. There came from over the tip of the peak daily and nightly a constant clanking and screeching, explosions, and now and then, when the wind was in the right direction, the hoarse shouting of men. While in the world could it be? Was the wer starting up again? Orders were that no soldier should go more than 300 yards from his billet, and the colonel meant what he said. He had proved it on numerous occasions. But the youth was miscrable. Finally one night he stole away, climbed the peak, and looked over the crest—down into a stone quarry.

The royal chapel of the Kalser's Palace at Coblenz, where Protestant church services for Americans are held every Sunday morning, has had an interesting history. The chapel dates back to before 1813, but it first sprang into prominence in that year, when Napoleon's soldiers used it as a stable. The former German emperor, who used to visit Coblenz frequently in 1914-15, used to worship here. Catholic services are held every Sunday in the Carmelite church.

There is a certain grim picturesqueness about camouslage these days. When a truck appears in the streets of Coblenz still bearing upon it traces of the magic paint of other days, it focuses the German ye almost as quickly, as does an American band or a column of rub-

HEARD IN THE S.O.S.

"No, I wasn't broke," declared William Williams, colored cook in a Stevedore company near Bordeaux, as he reminiscently slipped another spud into the kettle of water. Cook Williams had just stated that he was commander of a company of his own back in Louisiana before the war. The company consisted of Mrs. Williams and 26 little Williamses.

liamses.

"I will admit, though," he continued, "that it kept me pretty busy getting enough taters and hoe cakes and fried chicken to feed that bunch. It was bigger job than I have now—feeding a couple of hundred hungy Stevedores."

The American Naval Air station at Cambocuf, just a few miles from St. Sazaire, boasts a juli that has never bad

Nazaire, boasts a jail that has never had a prisoner. The building, which is thoroughly modern in every particular, was completed a week before the signing of the armistice. It took the place of a dilapidated structure that has served France in peace time. Navy officers found that the window frame could be removed by anyone inside the building, and decided it was too unstable for a guard-house. The cessation of hostilities and the demobilization of the Air station personnel, which has since begun, coming just after the construction of the new building wrecked its chances of usefulness.

"R.T.O. Pvt. J. F. O'Neal."
This is the sign which catches the eye at the entrance to the Transportation Office at La Rochelle.
O'Neat is a private—buck—from Philadelphia, but is holding down a job which in most places is turned over to a commissioned officer.
The boys, naturally, call him captain.

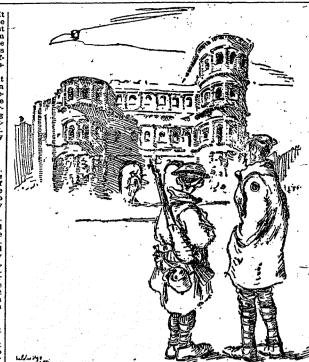
"To treat prisoners the way the United States treats them is typical of the

humanity of the Americans."
This was the tribute paid by a German prisoner at La Rochelle last week when one of his comrades from Germany was buried with militury honors.
The dead prisoner of war was helping in the Race to Berlin when his death

in the Race to Berlin when his death occurred from pnoumonia. The camp commander gave orders that the funeral should be military. An American chap lain participated in the ceremonles. His address was followed by that of a comrade of the dead man, who paid the

Next to the A.P.M.'s at Marscille and Lyon who have to listen coldly to the beat reasons why men on leave have to stop over between trains, the American er guards on duty at the Italian frontier near Mentone have the job most wearing on sympathy. Every day permissionares from Cannes and Nice and Mentone come to the border looking for a chance to get over into Italy to visit relatives. "My father is in Trieste and I haven't eseen him for five years," said one soldier. "Can't you look the other way for a few minutes?"

"Nothing doing!" said the guard.
"You'd get picked up by the gendarmes in the first town in Italy."



THE ROMAN RUIN AT TRIER

Four sailors from Brest breezed into Coblenz last week and throughout their stay provided one of the sights of the town. "Just cruising around," they aid in response to queries as to how they had stayed so far from sait water.

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guests right along with them. Hotels have not escaped.
Incidentally, there is the story of the luckless doughboy who read faithfully and diligently, meanwhile hoarding each piece of issue clothing against the time when he went to seek his bindle, after outfit. Then for a bath and freedom. Alas! He had his new clothes wrapped up in a newspaper in a disused room of his billets. It was decided to throw all old clothing into the disused room; and when he went to seek his bundle, after drawing his last necessary bit of clothing, he found it buried beneath a pile of the cootiest clothes in all Germany. "Gee, we certa'y bombed hell out o' th' Opry House, didn't we?"

The price of Iron Crosses is going up



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The delicatessen stores continue to do a roaring business. The pastry is the nearest approach to the real stuff many members of the Third Army have had since they landed, and they're taking advantage of it. And the photographic galleries—you can scarcely get into them. Everybody wants to have his picture taken in Coblenz, it seems, in order to prove to the folks at home that he had gazed upon the Rhine:

Reading one's shirt seems just as popular an indoor sport as ever, even officers of high rank taking part in the pastime ever and anon. All Germany seems to have been smitten, due chiefly to the fact that when the armistice was signed the soldiers called it a war and departed for their homes, taking their guests right along with them. Hotels have not escaped.

Coblenz is now a limited leave area and 2,000 fresh buyers from the Third Army, not to mention thousands of other translents, are in the city every day. Iron Crosses of the first class went from three marks to nine—and then leaped to 12 and 18. One store demands 40. Crosses of the second class are 12 marks. They used to be two and six, Most of the helmets in the region are now on their way to the States. The leather ones brought 40, 50, 60 and more marks each. And yet, word from Cologne is that these relics are going begging at nine marks. COLLARS

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